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June 1, 2015

Dear Valued Customer:

Thank you for your inquiry concerning a Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for BIC products.

The U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has established regulations regarding hazardous chemical communications. OSHA revised the Hazard Communication Standard (HCS) in 2012 to align with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS). This change will provide a common and coherent approach in classifying chemicals and communicating hazard information on labels and Safety Data Sheets (SDS).

All former MSDS's or Material Safety Data Sheets must be replaced with OSHA GHS compliant SDS's by OSHA's imposed deadline date of June 1, 2015. The SDS requirement applies to hazardous chemicals but does not apply to non-hazardous chemicals or exempted items such as "articles" or "consumer products".

BIC writing instruments, lighters, shavers and correction products are "consumer products" as defined by the Consumer Product Safety Act. As such, BIC products are exempt from SDS requirements when they are manufactured, used or distributed pursuant to OSHA guidelines. As a result, an SDS is not required for consumer products such as BIC writing instruments.

Sincerely,

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<p>Percol:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plastic binders</li> <li>Non-toxic pigments &amp; additives</li> <li>Natural fillers</li> <li>Co-extruded plastic varnish (without solvent)</li> </ul> <p>Packaging: Metal box with inside plastic tray</p>
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<p><b>Toxicology</b></p> <p>Please be advised that the BIC products referenced above are approved by the toxicologist at the Duke University Medical Center Occupational Health Service under the ACM (Art &amp; Creative Materials Institute) certification program. These reviews consider both the acute effects (from skin contact, ingestion, and inhalation) and the chronic health effects of each product. Duke University bases its reviews on the guidelines set forth by the CPSC (Consumer Product Safety Commission) and certifies each product for compliance with ASTM D-4236.</p>
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<p><b>Testing Regulation Conformity</b></p> <p><u>US Regulations:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Federal Hazardous Substances Act (16 CFR Part 1500.3): Complies</li> <li>ULHMA (The Labeling of Hazardous Art Materials Act) set forth in ASTM D-4236: Complies</li> <li>Determination of Total Lead Content in Paint and Surface Coatings (CPSIA): Complies</li> <li>California Proposition 65: No labeling required</li> <li>Model Toxics Legislation of the Toxics in Packaging Clearinghouse (TPCH), formerly the Coalition of Northeastern Governors (CONEG): Complies</li> </ul> <p><u>Additional Testing:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Determination of Total Lead Content in Substrates (CPSIA): Complies</li> </ul>
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<p><b>Usage Notes</b></p> <p>High amount of pigments to provide vivid colors and rich laydowns on paper.</p> <p>Easy to sharpen.</p> <p>There are no anticipated health effects from BIC® stationery products under normal use conditions.</p>
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