



China RoHS Update

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Overview

The People's Republic of China standard for restriction of the use of hazardous substances entitled "Management Methods for the Control of Pollution from Electronic Information Products (EIP)" is more commonly referred to as China RoHS. This standard covers the same six substances as the EU RoHS Directive, namely lead, mercury, cadmium, hexavalent chromium, polybrominated biphenyl (PBB), and polybrominated diphenyl ether (PBDE), and also uses the same maximum concentration values (MCV) of these substances.

China RoHS officially went into effect on March 1, 2007.

Initially requirements of the China RoHS entailed special product and packaging markings, and RoHS disclosure tables for all EIP imports. Subsequently during implementation there would be periodic updates to a list of specific products, known as the *Catalogue for Pollution Control in Key Electronic Information Products*, which must meet the RoHS maximum concentration value (MCV) requirements demonstrated by compulsory analytical testing and certification by national labs in order to be marketed in China.

Updates to the Catalogue

The first draft of the Catalogue was published on October 9, 2009. The scope is limited to telephones and all types of printers that attach to a computer. All types of phones are covered including mobiles, landline telephones, and networked handsets. Products designed and manufactured by PT are not in scope of the Catalogue at this time.

PT is continuing to monitor these changing developments in order to support our customers.

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