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## Chemetall North America Implementation of the Globally Harmonized System (GHS) of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals

New Providence, NJ – In May 2012, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) updated the current Hazard Communication Standard (HCS 1994) to align with the Globally Harmonized System (GHS) of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals. The result of which is the GHS Hazard Communication Standard (HCS 2012). The key requirement of HCS 2012 is for chemical manufacturers to have all products Safety Data Sheets (SDS) and product labels updated to the new GHS format by June 1, 2015.

Starting June 2014, Chemetall will launch its live phase-in to the new GHS SDS and label format. During the transition period product deliveries will be in compliance with either the HCS 1994 or HCS 2012. Chemetall anticipates the phase-in to the new GHS SDS and label format for all products to be completed by the end of February 2015, well in advance of the June 1, 2015 deadline.

For more information on Chemetall's HCS 2012 implementation, please contact either your technical sales manager or customer care at 877-941-3800. GHS related questions may also be submitted to <u>ghsNA@chemetall.com</u>.

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