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Black Box and the RoHS Directive

The Council of The European Union and The European Parliament has issued a directive known as the Restriction on Hazardous Substances (RoHS). This directive (2002/95/EC) restricts the use of certain substances deemed hazardous by the EU and used in electrical and electronic components and products.

The Directive requires that, beginning July 1, 2006, new electrical and electronic equipment put on the market does not contain lead (Pb), mercury (Hg), cadmium (Cd), hexavalent chromium (Cr6+), polybrominated biphenyls (PBB), or polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDE). The maximum concentration levels, by weight per homogeneous material, have been set by the Technical Adaptation Commitee (TAC) at 0.01% for Cadmium and 0.1% for the remaining substances.

Black Box Network Services has been, and remains, committed to offering RoHS compliant products to our worldwide client base. By working with our raw materials suppliers, we continue to expand our line of RoHS compliant products.

Refer to the BBNS RoHS compliant items list on the Black Box web site (<u>blackbox.com</u>) for updates regarding the RoHS status of individual products.

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