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To whom it may concern

Statement concerning
Directive 2002/96/EC on Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE),
and
Directive 2002/95/EC on the Restriction of the use of certain Hazardous
Substances in electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS)

The product range of HEROSE GmbH comprises safety valves for industrial use, cryogenic valves and cryogenic safety valves. These products are exclusively used as components in stationary or transportable industrial installations. These large-scale stationary industrial installations are explicitly excluded from the scope (Article 2) of Directive 2002/96/EC (WEEE), Annex IA, category 6. They are consequently also excluded from the scope (Article 2) of Directive 2002/95/EC (RoHS) which refers to Annex IA, category 6 under Directive 2002/96/EC (WEEE).

A large-scale stationary industrial installation has been defined in the Guidelines on the application of Directive 89/336/EC on Electromagnetic Compatibility as a "machine or systems consisting of a combination of equipments and / or components, each of which manufactured to be used in industry only, permanently fixed and installed by professionals at a given place in an industrial machinery or in an industrial building to perform a specific task. They are not intended to be placed on the market as a single functional or commercial unit. Such equipment which is part of another type of equipment is not considered to be a finished product".

In conclusion, and in accordance with article 2 of Directives 2002/96/EC on WEEE and 2002/95/EC on RoHS, it is the position and interpretation of HEROSE GmbH that the most HEROSE products do not fall within the scope of these two directives. Only the valves with material CC491K are in the scope of these directives, because the material lead level is between 4 and 6%.



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