LECTA complies with the requirements set out in REACH Regulation

European REACH Regulation, (CE) 1907/2006, dealing with the Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemical substances, came into effect on 1st June 2007, placing greater responsibility on industry to manage the risks from chemicals and to provide safety information on the substances in order to improve the protection of human health and the environment. It requires registration with the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) for all substances manufactured in and/or imported into the European Union.

In the case of LECTA, the above Regulation requires us to register only some chemicals used in the process of pulp production at LECTA’s Zaragoza (Spain) mill.

All the other chemicals used in the production process of coated, uncoated and specialty paper do not need to be registered by LECTA, rather by their individual suppliers, if necessary. Therefore, we have requested all our suppliers provide us with a written confirmation that they fulfil their obligations established by REACH Regulation.

LECTA has proceeded to register the following intermediate substances, used in pulp manufacturing, with the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA), thus complying with the obligations derived from REACH Regulation:

- Calcium Oxide  n° 01-2119475325-36-0109
- Chlorine Dioxide  n° 01-2119492305-37-0010
- Black liquor  n° 01-2119541681-41-0004
- Green liquor  n° 01-2119539462-39-0001
- White liquor  n° 01-2119582793-25-0006

In addition, LECTA affirms that none of the substances listed on the updated SVHC (Substances of Very High Concern) are being used in papers sold in the EU market.

LECTA has requested all its chemical suppliers provide confirmation that they do not use SVHC substances above this quantity in the products supplied. The list is continuously being updated, and growing in some cases, so LECTA will continue to strictly fulfilling the REACH Regulation.

LECTA will be regularly providing information on the steps taken to apply REACH Regulation.

More information about Lecta’s commitment to sustainability at www.lecta.com