

These are General Cable's responses to questions on the European Union (EU) Directive on the Restriction of certain Hazardous Substances (RoHS) that bans the use of certain materials in electrical and electronic equipment after July 2006.

General Cable is pleased to announce that our non-plenum electronic products are in compliance with the European Union (EU) Directive on the Restriction of certain Hazardous Substances (RoHS). In addition, General Cable continues to convert many of our plenum electronics products, although they are exempt from the EU Directive. For a complete list of compliant products, please refer to the RoHS section of the new General Cable Web site.

On April 1, 2008, the EU Court of Justice decided that the exemption for DecaBDE will end as of June 30, 2008, effectively banning the use of Deca BDE in products sold into the EU after this date. General Cable does not use DecaBDE in our RoHS compliant cables; therefore our cables are also compliant with this in addition to the RoHS directive.

Like all global environmental initiatives that may affect wire and cable products, our European and North American Technology Teams continue to review and make recommendations to our Corporate Leadership Team so they may develop strategies and product development actions to meet the needs of our customers.

If you have specific technical questions related to a wire and cable product you currently buy from General Cable, please provide the product description, part number, end-use application, and market details to your General Cable representative. He or she will review it with the appropriate person on our Technology Team and provide a response.

Note: All inquires and responses on RoHS should be documented and sent to Rick Roling, Inside Sales Technical Support Analyst, for General Cable, North America. Rick's e-mail address is rroling@generalcable.com. He can be reached by phone at General Cable's Corporate Headquarters at (859) 572-8704.