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Dear Valued Customer:

Thank you for your inquiry concerning a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for BIC products.

The U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has established regulations regarding hazardous chemical communications (29 CFR 1910.1200 et seq.). The stated purpose of these regulations is to ensure that the hazards of certain chemicals are evaluated and that this information is communicated to employers and employees.

OSHA regulations provide for transmittal of hazardous chemical information by various means, including the preparation and maintenance of an MSDS for each hazardous chemical. A hazardous chemical is defined as any chemical, which is a physical or health hazard.

BIC writing instruments, lighters, shavers and correction products are "consumer products," as defined by the Consumer Product Safety Act (15 U.S.C.A. 2051, et seq.), and not hazardous chemicals. As such, BIC products are exempt from MSDS requirements when they are manufactured, used or distributed pursuant to OSHA guidelines (see 29 CFR 1910.1200(b), (c) and (g)). As a result, an MSDS is not required for consumer products such as BIC writing instruments, lighters, shavers, and correction products.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

BIC CORPORATION

Steven Burgert
Manager of Safety and Health Services



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Dear Valued Customer:

Please be advised that each BIC® ink is approved by the toxicologist at the Duke University Medical Center Occupational Health Service under the WIMA (Writing Instrument Manufacturer's Association) certification program or the ACMI (Art & Creative Materials Institute) certification program. These reviews consider both the acute effects (from skin contact, ingestion, and inhalation) and the chronic health effects of every ink. Duke University bases its reviews on the guidelines set forth by the CPSC (Consumer Product Safety Commission) and certifies each of our inks for compliance with ASTM D-4236. For more information on the ACMI certification program, please visit the following site: <http://www.acminet.org/Safety.htm#two>

BIC makes every effort to ensure the safety of its stationery products, through programs such as the one described above. However, we ask our consumers to use our products properly and to use them as they are intended to be used. There are no anticipated health effects from BIC® stationery products under normal use conditions. If you have additional questions regarding toxicity, please contact your physician or local poison control center.

Thank you for your interest in BIC® products. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance to you.

Regards,
BIC CORPORATION

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