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RoHS Compliance Statement

In February 2003, the European Union issued Directive 2002/95/EC on the Restriction of the use of certain Hazardous Substances in certain electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS).

The RoHS Directive calls for the elimination of six environmentally hazardous substances in the manufacturing process. These are:

- Lead (Pb)
 - Mercury (Hg)
 - Cadmium (Cd)
 - Hexavalent Chromium (Cr+6)
 - Polybrominated Biphenyl (PBB)
 - Polybrominated Diphenyl Ether (PBDE)
- in electrical and electronic equipment placed on the market beginning July 1, 2006.

ARX has been planning for compliance for some time. We have now completed manufacturing trials and RoHS compliant products are now in production.

In planning for the conversion of our manufacturing process we initiated the following phased approach:

- A number of our component suppliers have already changed to RoHS compliance without changing their part numbers. ARX is using these parts in its products at the present time.
- Remaining suppliers have been modifying their part numbers to distinguish those with an RoHS compliant finish. ARX has updated its Qualified Manufacturers List (QML) to use these components under their new part numbers.
- A team was established within ARX to review, define, specify, develop, and qualify a fully compliant RoHS compliant material system and solder process for its products. This process is now driving production and the majority of products that ARX is currently shipping are RoHS compliant.

ARX expects to have all products fully compliant in production volumes well before July 2006.