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RE: Consumer Products safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA) (Lead and Phthalates)

To Whom it May Concern,

The Consumer Products Safety Improvement Act is a U.S. regulation that addresses, among other things, the presence of lead and phthalates in children's toys. The CPSIA threshold for the presence of lead in toys is 100 ppm (0.01%). Phthalates (chemical plasticizers) cannot be present at more than 1000 ppm (0.1%) per phthalate.

LEAD:

As steel can be used in the production of toys, the possibility that lead is present in the steel must be addressed. Lead is inherent in steel as a residual material. ArcelorMittal does not purposefully add lead to the steel.

ArcelorMittal is capable of producing steel at or below the level required in the CPSIA. The requirement for compliance must be explicitly stated on the purchase order so the appropriate evaluation limits can be applied. If required, test data must be requested and is not normally supplied.

The zinc coating that may be applied to the steel contains a residual amount of lead that is at or below the CPSIA threshold.

PHTHALATES:

The six phthalates included in the Act are diisononyl phthalate (DINP), diisodecyl phthalate (DIDP), di-n-octyl phthalate (DnOP), bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), dibutyl phthalate (DBP), and benzyl butyl phthalate (BBP). Phthalates are not a part of the steel manufacturing process. There is no reason to believe that these phthalates are contained in the flat rolled steel produced at ArcelorMittal.

This letter applies to AM/NS Calvert flat rolled products.

Sincerely,

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