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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

**The Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances  
in Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2006**

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**THE RESTRICTION OF THE USE OF CERTAIN  
HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES IN ELECTRICAL AND  
ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS 2006**

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#### SCHEDULE 1 — Categories of electrical and electronic equipment

1. Large household appliances.
2. Small household appliances.
3. IT and telecommunications equipment.
4. Consumer equipment.
5. Lighting equipment.
6. Electrical and electronic tools (with the exception of large-scale stationary...
7. Toys, leisure and sports equipment.
8. Automatic dispensers.

#### SCHEDULE 2 — Exempt applications

1. Mercury in compact fluorescent lamps not exceeding 5 mg per...
2. Mercury in straight fluorescent lamps for general purposes not exceeding...
3. Mercury in straight fluorescent lamps for special purposes.
4. Mercury in other lamps not specifically mentioned in this schedule....
5. Lead in glass of cathode ray tubes, electronic components and...
6. Lead as an alloying element in steel containing up to...
7. Lead— (a) in high melting temperature type solders (i.e. lead-based...
8. Cadmium and its compounds in electrical contacts and cadmium plating...
9. Hexavalent chromium as an anti-corrosion of the carbon steel cooling...
10. DecaBDE in polymeric applications.
11. Lead in lead-bronze bearing shells and bushes.
12. Lead used in compliant pin connector systems.
13. Lead as a coating material for the thermal conduction module...
14. Lead and cadmium in optical and filter glass.
15. Lead in solders consisting of more than two elements for...
16. Lead in solders to complete a viable electrical connection between...
17. Lead in linear incandescent lamps with silicate coated tubes.
18. Lead halide as radiant agent in High Density Discharge lamps...
19. Lead as activator in the fluorescent powder (1% lead by...
20. Lead with PbBiSn-Hg and PbInSn-Hg in specific compositions as main...
21. Lead oxide in glass used for bonding front and rear...

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