

**REQUIREMENT ES14, REV DATE NOVEMBER 1, 2007**

Registration, Evaluation, and Authorization of Chemicals (REACH)

The European Union's (EU) regulation concerning the Registration, Evaluation, and Authorization of Chemicals (REACH) went into effect June 1, 2007. With limited exceptions, REACH will affect all chemical substances used in the EU, including chemicals released from articles during use and articles made with chemicals designated by the EU to be "substances of very high concern." REACH is an extensive and complex regulation that involves a number of phase-in compliance deadlines that apply beginning in 2008. GE is making this announcement to assist its suppliers and ensure compliance with REACH without supply and/or process interruptions.

This communication is being provided to identify resources that will be available at our website [www.geae.com/aboutgeae/doingbusinesswith/geae\\_po\\_requirements.html](http://www.geae.com/aboutgeae/doingbusinesswith/geae_po_requirements.html). The latest information on REACH activities and important milestones will be posted at this location.

To prevent business and production interruptions, we are interested in discussing your approach to REACH and identifying the ways in which we can help make your compliance program a success. We suggest you designate a point of contact for REACH issues. In addition, if you believe that REACH could temporarily interrupt the supply of raw materials to EU customers, we would like to discuss how we can work together to find the best possible solution.