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Regulatory Update

Conformity assessment through Declaration scheme on hold in Belarus

PCS has been informed that from 1st January 2016 Belarusian Regulators have been in the process of updating the list of products which are subject to mandatory national conformity assessment via a Declaration scheme in accordance with Decree #60 of 16th December 2008 of the State Committee of Standardization of the Republic of Belarus. While this update was initially expected to take a few weeks with minimal impact, it's now been advised that the new list of products will not be in place until June 2016.

During this interim period, the national Declaration scheme cannot be followed.

It has been advised that only products that fall under established EA Customs Union (EAC) technical regulations require mandatory confirmation of compliance in Belarus.

With the above in mind and until the new list of products subject to mandatory national conformity assessment is in place, manufacturers can import products which are approved against the EAC EMC/Safety scheme only (if products fall under these regulations), or apply for a voluntary Certification scheme under the national system of Belarus in addition. If voluntary certificate is not obtained in the interim period, it will be the manufacturer's responsibility to ensure a Declaration under the national system is obtained after the new list comes into effect.

Main points of voluntary certification:

- Validity of certificates – 5 years.
- Physical factory inspection is required on annual basis throughout the validity of the certificate.
- Sample testing is required.

It was also confirmed by the State Committee of Standardization of the Republic of Belarus that there are no legal obligations to show compliance to RF standards until the new regulation is introduced.



PCS will continue to monitor progress very closely and will keep you updated once more information becomes available.

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