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Subject: Kulite Semiconductor Products, Inc. PFAS Statement

We have evaluated our processes and products to identify deliverables that rely on PFAS-containing products so as to minimize the potential risks to our production and that of our customers due to supply shocks that may result from restrictive government regulations under consideration and manufacturer phaseouts of PFAS production.

The term PFAS includes two subcategories, nonpolymeric and polymeric.

- Nonpolymeric PFAS are chemical compounds that have multiple fluorine atoms attached to a short alkyl chain generally containing 4-20 carbon atoms. Nonpolymeric PFAS are used for particular processing applications including in leak testing, as heat transfer fluids, and as specialty cleaners. Additionally, in some specialized applications, nonpolymeric PFAS may also be incorporated in finished parts. Kulite has identified products with production processes that utilize nonpolymeric PFAS and is taking steps to make changes to these processes to enable the phaseout of nonpolymeric PFAS from our plant operations and finished parts.
- Polymeric PFAS are very long fluorine-containing molecules that can contain tens or hundreds of thousands of carbon atoms linked together in a chain. Due to their desirable properties, polymeric PFAS including Viton ("fluorine rubber"), Teflon (PTFE), fluorinated ethylene propylene (FEP), and polyvinylidene difluoride (PVDF) are used universally. In Kulite's product line, these chemicals are mainly present in wires, cables, sleeves, tubing and adhesives. To date, most regulatory attention has been focused on nonpolymeric PFAS, as many fluoropolymers are chemically and thermally stable, insoluble in water, and less bioavailable and therefore are not considered to be as hazardous as nonpolymeric PFAS.

Kulite takes the risks presented by the use of PFAS very seriously, and we appreciate your ongoing support as we continue to prioritize the removal of PFAS from our processes and products without sacrificing product quality. At this time, no PFAS materials used by Kulite that are designated for obsoletion or impacted by regulations are critical to the manufacturing process or included in finished products. We will continue to evaluate the evolving regulatory and supply landscape so as to effectively respond to any emerging issues. Should you have any further questions or require additional information regarding the presence of PFAS in our offerings, please do not hesitate to contact your program manager.