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Dear Valued Customer,

To date, our conformance to the Environmental & RoHS Standard for POP® blind rivets is as follows.

The steel, stainless steel, and copper components all meet the RoHS directive. Our aluminum may contain lead as an alloying substance at less than .4%, the reportable percentage required by RoHS. The plating on the bodies that are zinc and clear chromate are zinc and a hexavalent-free trivalent chromate. All colored chromates (zinc and yellow, zinc and black, and zinc and olive drab) contain hexavalent chromate. We are currently working with our plating applicators to make the change to a hexavalent-free chromate for the colored chromates. Oxide finishes, Xylan finishes, Anodized finishes, and paints on rivet bodies all meet the RoHS requirements and do not contain reportable or restricted substances.

Requests for data on special finishes on rivet bodies other than those mentioned in this letter must be submitted by specific rivet part number for analysis.

Should you have any questions, or need information for a specific part, you may call me at 270-887-1413.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James H. Mason". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "M".

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