

## Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)

As part of our commitment to supply environmentally-safe products throughout the world, PCB Piezotronics, Inc. supports the aims of Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) provisions in the Stockholm Convention. These provisions aim to reduce health concerns and protect the environment from chemicals that remain intact for extended periods. This is consistent with our own commitment to promote the responsible manufacturing, use, and disposal of products. We support the Convention's aim to eliminate or restrict the production and use of POPs.

The Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, which was adopted in 2001 and entered into force in 2004, is a global treaty whose purpose is to safeguard human health and the environment from highly harmful chemicals that persist in the environment. The Convention requires parties to eliminate or reduce POPs, which have a potential of causing devastating effects such as cancer, diminished intelligence, reduction in wildlife, and have the ability to travel over great distances.

PCB Piezotronics verifies that no regulated POPs or restricted hazardous substances are intentionally incorporated into our final products or manufacturing processes regularly. To confirm compliance, we utilize limited component and material testing, including third-party verification using standard methods to support certification for market access. PCB also complies with Article 6 of the Stockholm Convention by managing POPs-containing waste, such as older WEEE plastics, in an Environmentally Sound Manner (ESM). We ensure that, where legally required, disposal results in the destruction or irreversible transformation of the POPs content. All of our products are sold under the direction that they shall be returned at the end of the life cycle.

We continuously monitor relevant international laws to ensure the ongoing compliance of our supply chain. We conduct periodic internal reviews and, when our limited testing or quality control processes identify a restricted POP substance that does not align with our policy, we commit to addressing the source and removing the non-compliant material as quickly as possible. This strategy confirms our dedication to meeting our regulatory obligations and responsibly managing the materials used in our Electrical and Electronic Equipment. We continuously monitor relevant international laws to ensure the ongoing compliance of our supply chain.



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