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## IMPORTANT LEGAL INFORMATION: California Proposition 65 Warning Requirements to Internet Sales and Catalog Sales

Dear Distributor:

You are receiving this letter in response to new legislation under California State Law (specifically "California Proposition 65"). Your company purchases products from General Machine Products (KT) LLC ("GMP"). It is likely that you promote those products via the internet and printed catalogs. This letter summarizes your obligations with respect to GMP products under the new regulations, even if you are not physically represented in California.

It is already mandatory under Proposition 65 for retailers of products entering the stream of commerce in California to provide written warnings to consumers regarding products which may result in an exposure to one or more of over 900 chemicals listed under Proposition 65 as known to the State of California to cause cancer and/or reproductive harm.

GMP has sought to diligently comply with these existing legislative requirements at the point of manufacturing by including a compliant warning on all product packaging, thereby sparing you any obligation in this regard. GMP will continue to attach this compliant written warning to its products:

**WARNING:** Cancer and reproductive harm - See <u>www.P65Warnings.ca.gov</u> for more information.

However, the new legislation now adds a further warning requirement:

When a product is sold via the internet, or via printed catalog, the internet page or printed catalog page displaying the product must post a product-specific warning corresponding with any warning that is physically attached to the product or its immediate package or label. In other words, you should use the same warning depicted above on your internet pages and printed catalog pages.

GMP does not have control over your internet website nor your printed catalogs, which means that GMP cannot apply this further type of warning; only you can do so.

It is important to note that these warnings do not mean that our products will necessarily cause cancer or reproductive harm. A Proposition 65 warning does not mean a product is in violation of any safety standards or requirements. The California government has clarified, "[t]he fact that a product bears a Proposition 65 warning does not mean by itself that the product is unsafe." The government of the State of California further went on to explain, "You could think of Proposition 65 more as a 'right to know' law than a pure product safety law." See <a href="https://oag.ca.gov/prop65/fags-view-all">https://oag.ca.gov/prop65/fags-view-all</a>.

When our products are used as designed for their intended purpose, we believe that our products are not harmful. However, GMP is exercising an abundance of caution and providing these warnings to ensure compliance with this California Law.

Under 27 CCR § 25600.2, you have the obligation to ensure that any website and printed catalogs that promote any of our products also post the GMP California Proposition 65 warnings. Proposition 65 requires these warnings be posted immediately.

The various alternative methods of how such warnings may be posted on your website and catalog in order to satisfy the Proposition 65 legislation is a matter that should be established under advice from your legal counsel.

If you have any questions, please forward them to <a href="mailto:calprop65@gmptools.com">calprop65@gmptools.com</a>