VELCRO USA INC., 406 Brown Ave., Manchester, NH 03108, Phone: (603) 669-4880

Re: Material Safety Data Sheet – Article Exemption
VELCRO® brand Nylon Hook and Loop Fasteners – Woven and/or Knitted Fabrics and Tapes, Non-Adhesive Back.

Dear Sir/Madame:

This letter is in response to your request for a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS). Velcro USA Inc. is very proactive in complying with all federal, state and local regulations that are applicable to its products. The following information pertains to your request, which is governed by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazard Communication Standard.

MSDSs are required under the OSHA Hazard Communication requirements (29 CFR 1910.1200 et seq.). 29 CFR 1910.1200(b)(6)(iv) exempts "Articles" from MSDS requirements and other communication requirements of OSHA law. VELCRO® brand Nylon Hook and Loop Fasteners – Woven and/or Knitted Fabrics and Tapes, Non-Adhesive Back are considered to be "Articles" under this regulation. The term "Article" is defined in 29 CFR 1910.1200(c)(i) as follows (the Federal Register citation for this information may be found at 52 FR 31852 (August 24, 1987)):

(c) Definitions: "Article" means a manufactured item, other than a fluid or a particle: (i) Which is formed to a specific shape or design during manufacture; (ii) which has end use functions(s) dependent in whole or in part upon its shape or design during end use; and (iii) which under normal conditions of use does not release any more than very small quantities, e.g. minute or trace amounts, of a hazardous chemical (as determined under paragraph (d) of this section) and does not pose a physical hazard or health risk to employees.

VELCRO® brand Nylon Hook and Loop Fasteners – Woven and/or Knitted Fabrics and Tapes, Non-Adhesive Back are "Articles" and as such, do not have MSDSs and are exempt under OSHA from labeling. Please be assured that VELCRO® brand Nylon Hook and Loop Fasteners – Woven and/or Knitted Fabrics and Tapes, Non-Adhesive Back do not contain hazardous chemicals that will be harmful to an individual if the products are used as intended.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Velcro USA Inc. Quality Control Department – Specialty Laboratory at (603) 669-4880 ext. 4854, or 4851.

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