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Dear Valued Customer:

Thank you for your inquiry concerning a Material Safety Data Sheet for BIC products.

Pursuant to 29 C.F.R. 1910.1200(b)(6)(vii), the OSHA Hazard Communication Standards are inapplicable to "any consumer product, as [that] term is defined in the Consumer Product Safety Commission Act, where the employer can demonstrate that [the product] is used in the workplace in the same manner as normal consumer use and which use results in a duration and frequency of exposure which is not greater than exposures experienced by consumers." The Consumer Product Safety Commission Act (15 U.S.C.A. 2051, et seq.), defines a consumer product as "any article or component part thereof, produced or distributed (i) for sale to a consumer for use in or around a ...household, or residence, a school, in recreation or otherwise or (ii) for the personal use, consumption or enjoyment of a consumer...."

Quite clearly BIC writing instruments, lighters and shavers are consumer products within the Consumer Product Safety Act definition cited above. Additionally, we are unaware of any use for our writing instruments, lighters or shavers which would deviate from normal consumer use or a use which would result in greater exposure than the exposure, if any, experienced by consumers. Accordingly, BIC Corporation is not obligated to provide a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for its BIC writing instruments, lighters or shavers as they are exempt products under the OSHA Hazard Communication guidelines.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding the foregoing information, please do not hesitate to contact this writer.

Very truly yours,

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