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To Whom It May Concern:

In regards to Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for products sold by Gibson Stainless & Specialty, Inc. (GSS), the following is provided.

In 2012, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), a division of the United States Department of Labor, issued a revision to the Hazard Communication Standard (HCS) (29 CFR 1910.1200(g)). This revision requires that the chemical manufacturer, distributor, or importer provide SDSs (formerly MSDSs or Material Safety Data Sheets) for each hazardous chemical to downstream users in order to communicate information on chemical hazards. Products classified as "articles," as defined in paragraph (c) of the HCS, do not require SDSs.

(b) Scope and application.

(b)(6) This section does not apply to:

(v) Articles (as that term is defined in paragraph (c) of this section);

(c) Definitions.

"Article" means a manufactured item other than a fluid or particle: (i) which is formed to a specific shape or design during manufacture; (ii) which has end use function(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 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.

All products sold by GSS are considered to be "articles" and therefore, do not require SDSs.

Though GSS products are "articles" and are not hazardous in solid form, GSS acknowledges that, in some situations, field modification is necessary for particular applications (e.g., cutting and threading of conduit). During these operations, all appropriate precautions should be observed to ensure worker safety. This includes practicing good housekeeping, using eye and hand protection during operations that could produce flying particles or sharp edges, and avoiding inhalation or ingestion of metal fumes, dust, or particulate.

If further information is needed regarding any GSS products, please contact the factory at (724) 838-8320. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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