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## **Regulatory Update**

## Armenia - transition period to adopt Eurasian Economic Union (Customs Union) Technical Regulations to begin in 2016.

Further to PCS Regulatory Update in December 2014, and following Armenia's entry into the Eurasian Economic Union on 1st January 2015, it has been advised that adoption and harmonization to Customs Union Technical Regulations on EMC and Safety will come into effect on 2nd January 2016.

From 2nd January 2016 it will be no longer possible to obtain National Level Approval in Armenia for non RF products, and Approvals to the Customs Union scheme must be obtained instead.

For all existing Approvals, there will be a transition period of two years whereby any existing certificates will remain valid until 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2018 or until their expiry, whichever is sooner.

For all RF products, National Level Approval will still be required until further notice. It is believed that, for now, National Level Approval will cover all RF, EMC and Safety requirements. Separate Customs Union Approval may be required in addition on a case-by-case basis.

PCS will continue to investigate full impact on RF products with Regulators, but at the moment it is expected that requirement for National Approvals will remain in place due to significant discrepancies in radio frequency distribution in Armenia compared to other Customs Union Member States. This information is expected to be validated shortly after the transition period begins.

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