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Regulatory Update

Changes in Ukrainian legislation in 2016

On February 10, 2016 new law of Ukraine "On technical regulations and conformity assessment" entered into force. The purpose of this law is consolidation of the law of Ukraine "About confirmation of conformity" and "On Standards, Technical Regulations and Conformity Assessment Procedures" that contained overlapping provisions.

The new law combines the legal and organizational basis for the development, adoption and implementation of regulations and conformity assessment procedures. This not only eliminates conflict between them, but also enables to better adapt national legislation to the EU legislation.

In addition to the above, revised technical regulations "On electromagnetic Compatibility of equipment" and "On low-voltage equipment" will come into force on June 30th 2016.

Revised regulations are designed in connection with adoption of a new EC directive "On harmonising rights of EU Member States in regard to electromagnetic compatibility" and is aimed at bringing Ukrainian legislation in line with European.

It has been confirmed that bringing Ukrainian Technical Regulations in accordance with European will not entail any fundamental changes in the conformity assessment process. The conformity assessment procedures that were in place will remain unchanged.

PCS was advised of the following changes to follow after revised EMC and Safety technical regulations come into force:

- 1. New format of declarations will not be strictly defined, there will be only a recommended format and guidelines for the required content of declarations.
- 2. It will be possible to obtain one Declaration covering EMC and Safety technical regulations.
- 3. Local holders in Ukraine will have to hold Declarations and technical documentation for a period of 10 years of introducing product at the market.

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4. In addition to manufacturer's name, it will be required to provide manufacturer's contact details on products (or accompanying documents) in Ukrainian.

No further information has been released regarding changes to the Type Approval process and requirements.

PCS will be following processes in Ukraine very closely and keep you updated along the way.

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