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Statement on Product Stewardship

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Background

Over the last 30 years, various health, environmental, physical, and chemical characteristics of borates have become increasingly scrutinized and regulated. These characteristics have become market access determinants. Product stewardship is now a major issue for sales and marketing teams. Product stewardship recognizes the need that products are produced, used, and managed to end-of-life in support of societal goals.

About our team

Rio Tinto Borates has a well-established global team of dedicated experts in product stewardship. Our team secures and protects market access on behalf of our customers in the Americas, Europe, Middle East, Africa, and throughout Asia Pacific.

We provide global leadership to the industry on all product stewardship and substance regulation issues through the world's only borate industry association in Europe.

Our approach

Rio Tinto Borates employs the best available technology and follows exacting procedures to ensure that our standards and practices meet or exceed product stewardship and product safety standards everywhere we do business.

We support research that contributes to the existing body of knowledge—and we share data with customers to develop better products and processes, and with regulators to develop better public policy.

Support and services we provide to customers

We provide direct support to our customers through both advisory and hands-on services in the following areas:

- Product registration support
- Product regulatory and compliance support
- Only Representative ("OR") service (in Europe, the United Kingdom and South Korea)
- Research to enhance our understanding of borates' health effects
- Product health and safety support
 - Development of Safety Data Sheets (SDSs)
 - Guidance on proper handling and use of our products
 - Advice on worker training for safe handling
 - How to carry out exposure monitoring in the workplace
 - Management of product hazard communication labelling
- Product sustainability
 - Life cycle assessment data
 - Trend analysis and response

Contact Us

Please contact your sales representative to be connected with the product stewardship expert in your region.

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