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European Commission
DG-Environment Unit G4

Dear Mrs. Marianne Klingbeil
Dear Mrs. Anna Passera

We, Japan Business Council in Europe (JBCE) ¹, are the organisation representing Japanese companies with significant operations in Europe. Our members are among leading multinational corporations in the world.

We highly appreciate your stakeholders consultation, announced last December, on RoHS exemption under Directive 2002/95/EC.

This paper is our response to your stakeholder consultation and we are delighted to have this opportunity to contribute to the discussion.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our secretariat or myself.

Sincerely yours,

Lars Bruckner
Chairman, Environmental Committee
Japan Business Council in Europe

¹ For details, including a list of its member companies, please refer to the following website: <http://www.jbce.org>

List of JBCE papers(Please see attached electronic files)

1. Item No. 1. Lead in tin whisker resistant coating for fine pitch application &
Item No. 7 Lead in connectors, flexible printed circuits, flexible flat cables
2. Item No. 4. Solders containing lead and/or cadmium for specific applications
3. Item No. 5. Hexavalent chromium (CRVI) passivation coatings
4. Item No. 6. Lead in lead oxide glass plasma display panels
5. Item No.6-2*. Lead in lead oxide glass plasma display panels and Surface-conduction Electron-emitter Display panels
6. Item No. 9 Cadmium as doping materials in avalanche photodiodes (APDs) for the optical fiber communication systems
7. Item No.11 Lead in sheath heater of Microwaves
8. Item No.21 Cadmium sulphide photocells