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**IAEG Publishes First Aerospace & Defence Declarable Substances List**

Warrendale, PA, May 7, 2015. The International Aerospace Environmental Group (IAEG) announced it has released the first Aerospace & Defense Declarable Substances List (AD-DSL).

The AD-DSL provides an initial, common list of declarable chemicals/substances used within the aerospace and defense supply chain. The list allows suppliers to efficiently exchange information and supply data surrounding chemicals and substances that are of concern to the industry. It has been developed through the collaborative efforts of 36 aerospace and defense companies, including suppliers and original equipment manufacturers (OEMs).

“This is a really exciting list; a first of its kind in our industry,” said Christer Hellstrand, The Boeing Company and IAEG chairman. “It will allow suppliers throughout the industry to identify where potentially harmful substances are being used, develop a plan to phase them out and deliver qualified substitutes, and raise awareness of any issues concerning new substances coming on to the market.”

The list is the product of thoughtful, methodical research, including a pilot program with 30 suppliers, which took place over several months and garnered industry-wide input and buy-in. The effort was led by Sally Gestautas of Raytheon.

It includes chemical substances incorporated into aerospace and defense products, or critical in either the manufacture or maintenance of these products. The list will be updated periodically, and employed as part of an aerospace industry standard currently in development.

“The aerospace industry is under increasing scrutiny through regulations like REACH,” said Bruno Costes, Airbus Group and COO for IAEG. “The AD-DSL will make it easier for our companies to work with regulatory agencies on harmful substances and chemicals used in manufacturing. It mirrors similar successful efforts undertaken by the automotive industry.”

The AD-DSL is another example of the industry working together, through IAEG. In 2014, the group published the first Greenhouse Gas reporting guidance for the aerospace industry.

To find out more about IAEG, its activities and how to become a member please visit [www.iaeg.com](http://www.iaeg.com) .

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**Notes to Editors:**

The International Aerospace Environmental Group (IAEG) is a not-for-profit trade association of companies offering civil or defence aerospace products (including platforms and systems) and services in the global aerospace industry. IAEG's purpose is to promote industry common interests by implementing initiatives that will drive significant and cost effective improvements in the environmental performance of aerospace products and in the industry's associated supply chain. It also works to identify feasible and appropriate means to drive continual improvement in aerospace industry manufacturing and supply chain processes, thereby supporting delivery of cost effective and consistently high quality products with reduced environmental impacts.