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Statement on Coronavirus (Covid-19)

We have received inquiries regarding the potential effect of the Coronavirus on GB Lubricants' supply chain.

GB Lubricants is closely monitoring developments of the Coronavirus, which first emerged from Wuhan, China, in December 2019. The health and safety of our colleagues and customers is always our top priority. As such, we are following all safety advice and precautions as recommended by the UK's Department of Health and Social Care and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, as well as the World Health Organisation (WHO).

The UK's National Health Service (NHS) guidelines indicate that the virus is only spread through human contact so we have taken additional precautions such as using hand sanitisers, and to remind our staff to maintain high levels of hygiene, particularly with regards to washing hands. These precautions also involve mini-tutorial sessions with all staff on best hand washing practice and simple measures and behaviours that should be adopted to reduce the risk of the virus spreading both in the workplace and at home. GB Lubricants is happy to share this information and links to expert advice that you may find useful.

Our visitors will be reminded of the NHS advice and we have asked our suppliers to advise us about any impact that the outbreak may have on their supply chain. Currently we have been advised of no significant impact on our supply of raw materials and therefore our ability to supply our customers will be unaffected, but this is of course a changing situation that may impact on all aspects of normal working practice and daily life in the coming weeks. In the meantime, we are increasing our stocks of raw materials and finished goods and would encourage our customers where possible to do the same in case a short-term buffer stock is required.

We will continue to monitor the situation and will update this statement if circumstances change or new information becomes available.

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