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The Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986

Proposition 65 (Prop 65), officially known as the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, was enacted as a ballot initiative in November 1986 in the State of California. The proposition protects the state's drinking water sources from being contaminated with chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm, and requires businesses to inform Californians about exposures to such chemicals.

Proposition 65 requires clear and reasonable warning for chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity. Proposition 65 requires the state to maintain and update a list of those chemicals.

Copper State Bolt & Nut distributes such a wide variety of products, and with an ever-changing list of chemicals affected by Prop 65; that trace amounts of chemicals on the list of Prop 65 substances may be present in some products. We rely on the manufacturers of the products we distribute to comply with Prop 65 labeling requirements. We therefore feel it is in the best interests of our company as well as our customers and business partners to state that the Prop 65 warning may apply to all products.

Here's a link to the official state of California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment website where the most recent list of chemicals is published: <https://oehha.ca.gov/proposition-65>

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If you require additional information regarding the products you purchase from Copper State, we encourage you to discuss your needs specifically with your local Copper State sales or branch office, or to contact our corporate office at 602-272-2384.

Thank you,

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