

Proposition 65 (Prop 65) Declaration

Prop 65 (also known as the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986) is a California Law that requires any company doing business in California to warn consumers about significant exposures to chemicals that the state has linked to cancer, birth defects or reproductive harm. The law applies to components or products containing these chemicals that expose workers to or are available to consumers. In 2016, the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) declared new consumer warning regulations that apply to any products manufactured after August 30, 2018 (27 Cal. Code Reg. section 25600 et seq.). As the law evolves Innovate Power Products (IPP) re-evaluates their compliance responsibilities and as a result, IPP has come out with its warning label to fulfill the change in law.

⚠ WARNING: This product can expose you to chemicals including lead, which are known to the State of California to cause cancer or birth defects or other reproductive harm.

The warning does not mean that our products will necessarily cause cancer or reproductive harm. Moreover, a Proposition 65 warning does not mean a product is in violation of any product safety standard or requirement. In fact, the California government has clarified that “the fact that a product bears a Proposition 65 warning does not mean by itself that the product is unsafe.” The government has also explained, “You could think of Proposition 65 more as a ‘right to know’ law than a pure product law.”

See: <http://oehha.ca.gov/prop65/background/p65plain.html>

Innovated Power Products (IPP) has reviewed its products, and believes its products are not harmful when used as designed and if disposed of as per Federal, State, and Local regulations, but out of abundance of caution; IPP has taken a conservative approach and provides a warning for all products that contain Prop 65 listed chemicals.

Proposition 65 applies only to “exposure” to listed chemicals. It does not ban or restrict the use of any given chemical. If the “exposure” levels are below the safe harbor levels the product does not need to be labeled although it may contain a listed chemical. Exposure level calculations are complex, and due to very large numbers of products that IPP sells, individual product exposure level calculations are considered prohibitive.

Where can I find out more?

For more information about Prop 65, the chemicals that have been listed, and how these chemicals may impact human health, please visit the State of California’s website at www.P65warnings.ca.gov

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