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European Lamp Companies Federation (ELC) intensifies dialogue with regulatory bodies in order to simplify international rules for distribution of energy efficient lighting products

The most energy efficient lighting products, such as high intensity discharge lamps for industrial use, stage lighting, chip production and water purification, contain negligibly small amounts of substances emitting ionizing radiation, which are indispensable for the high performance of the light sources. These substances are entirely safe as used at any time of the life-cycle of the product.

Independent safety studies, for example commissioned by the European Union have confirmed that the radiation stemming from these products is less than one hundredth of the natural background radiation humans are exposed to in everyday life. However, these products are subject to very detailed and complex labelling and transportation requirements, causing unnecessary burden for light source manufacturers and distributors.

To allow for a smooth transition to energy efficient lighting solutions and in order to actively contribute to appropriate regulation, the ELC member companies seek to intensify the dialogue with the regulatory bodies. The objective is to relieve the unnecessary burden of labelling and transportation requirements for light source manufacturers and distributors by simplifying its application. If appropriate, these products should be exempted from the regulation since they do not pose any threat to health, environment, and safety.

*The ELC represents the leading lamp manufacturers in Europe:
Aura Light AB, BLV Licht- und Vakuumtechnik GmbH, G.E. Lighting Europe Ltd, Havells Sylvania, Narva Lichtquellen GmbH, OSRAM GmbH and Philips Lighting BV.*

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