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Public information according to the Environmental Information Act

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Foreword

This is a voluntary translation for better understanding for international stakeholders or employees; only the German version is valid.

Boehlerit bears responsibility for the safety of its facilities. With this public information in accordance with the Environmental Information Act, you, as a potentially affected person, are provided with precautionary information about possible hazards, implemented safety measures, and the correct behavior in the event of an industrial accident.

Boehlerit GmbH & Co. KG ensures safety at the Kapfenberg site for stakeholders, neighbors, and the environment through a well-developed safety policy.

An integrated management system according to ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 also includes high standards in the areas of safety, health, and environmental protection.

Our primary goal is to completely prevent an industrial accident through continuous monitoring of our safety systems. This is achieved mainly by complying with national and international regulations and laws, as well as by using modern facilities that meet the state of the art and are inspected and approved by the competent authorities.

The following information is based on the legally required safety report under the Industrial Accident Ordinance, which was prepared with the support of external expert consultants.

1. Owner and address of the relevant facility (§ 14 para. 3 item 1 lit a UIG)

Company:

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Owner:

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Leitzstraße 2
73447 Oberkochen
Managing Director: Dr. Cornelia Brucklacher
Company Register Number: 16002 h

Management:

Dipl.-Ing. Johann Werl
Boehlerit GmbH & Co. KG

Information about the risk of serious accidents

2. Safety Report (pursuant to § 14 para. 3 item 1 lit b UIG)

The Boehlerit GmbH & Co. KG site in Kapfenberg is subject to the provisions of Section 8a of the Austrian Trade Regulation Act (Gewerbeordnung 1994). Notification to the authority (District Authority Bruck-Mürzzuschlag) in accordance with § 84c para. 2 GewO 1994 has been made. The safety report has been submitted to the authority.

3. Activities carried out at the site (§ 14 para. 3 item 1 lit c UIG)

Boehlerit's hard metals and tools set benchmarks in the machining of metal, wood, plastics, and composite materials. The cutting material and tool specialists from the steel city of Kapfenberg in Styria solve the most demanding machining tasks in future-oriented materials thanks to their "proximity to the steel laboratory." Cutting materials, semi-finished products, precision tools, and tool systems for milling, turning, drilling, and forming ensure process reliability and efficiency worldwide.

Boehlerit's comprehensive product range also includes highly specialized tools for crankshaft machining and metallurgical applications such as peeling, pipe and sheet processing, and heavy-duty cutting. Another strength of Boehlerit lies in hard metals for structural components and wear protection. In coating technology, Boehlerit achieves global uniqueness - from the world's first nano-CVD bonding layer to the hardest diamond coating. Additionally, Boehlerit is a competent development partner for toolmakers thanks to its long-standing expertise in metallurgy, coating technology, and state-of-the-art pressing technology.

4. Information on hazardous substances used at the site (§ 14 para. 3 item 1 lit d UIG)

The Boehlerit Kapfenberg site is classified as an "upper-tier establishment" under the SEVESO III Directive and the Industrial Accident Ordinance.

Substances or mixtures exceeding the threshold values under Trade Regulation Act include:

Cobalt powder – H1 Acute Toxicity 1
Sweepings (dust) – H2 Acute Toxicity 2
Hard metal granulate – E1 Environmental Hazard

Additionally, the following substance has been identified as potentially causing an industrial accident:

Titanium tetrachloride – H2 Acute Toxicity 2

Cobalt is a gray, odorless powder used as a binder metal in hard metal production.

Ingestion or inhalation can cause severe health impairments in humans.

Environmental exposure also leads to damage, particularly to aquatic organisms. However, if all protective measures are observed, cobalt poses only a minor risk, especially when dust formation is prevented.

Hard metal granulate (or sweepings) is a mixture of tungsten carbide and cobalt, and may also contain nickel, titanium carbide, tantalum carbide, niobium carbide, chromium carbide, vanadium carbide, and paraffin wax as a pressing additive, in varying compositions.

It is a black or gray, odorless powder that can cause conditional harm to humans and the environment, primarily due to its cobalt content. This risk can largely be mitigated by adhering to all protective measures.

Titanium tetrachloride is a colorless or slightly yellowish liquid used as a precursor for titanium-based hard coatings in CVD processes. When in contact with water or even moist air, it forms an opaque white mist of titanium oxychloride or titanium dioxide and hydrogen chloride, which severely impairs visibility. Inhalation of hydrogen chloride can lead to pulmonary edema (fluid in the lungs). Contact with eyes or skin causes severe burns. The potential hazard exists only in close proximity and can be neutralized, as harmless sodium chloride and water are formed.

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5. Information on correct behavior in the event of a major accident (§ 14 para. 3 item 1 lit e UIG)

In the event of an industrial accident, the authorities and law enforcement will be alerted. Warning and/or notification of residents and the public will always be carried out by the competent authority and its facilities, in accordance with the emergency plan of the State of Styria.

In case of an alarm:

- Pay attention to siren signals
- Follow loudspeaker announcements
- Seek shelter in closed buildings
- Close windows and exterior doors
- Turn on radio devices
- Remain calm
- Do not block telephone lines
- Follow instructions from emergency personnel

6. Publicly accessible information (§ 14 para. 3 item 1 lit f-g & item 2 lit c UIG)

Information pursuant to the Environmental Information Act is available on the website: www.boehlerit.com.

Additional information on the safety report and the external emergency plan (excluding competition-sensitive information) can be viewed at:

District Authority Bruck-Mürzzuschlag
Facilities Department
Dr. Theodor-Körner-Straße 34
8600 Bruck/Mur

7. General information on the hazards of major accidents (§ 14 para. 3 item 2 lit a UIG)

Despite the implemented safety precautions, the following possible scenarios could trigger an industrial accident of hazard levels II and III:

- Leakage of gases and liquids
- Liquids from firefighting measures (cobalt release)

Detailed safety analysis and operational experience have shown that potential impacts are limited to the plant premises and the voestalpine BÖHLER Edelstahl GmbH & Co. site.

Thanks to the well-developed "internal emergency plan," timely detection and appropriate technical and organizational countermeasures are ensured in the event of an industrial accident.

8. Cooperation with emergency and rescue services (§ 14 para. 3 item 2 lit b UIG)

Boehlerit strives to prevent the occurrence of an industrial accident to the best of its knowledge and conscience. Nevertheless, such a hazardous situation cannot be completely ruled out. In an emergency, rapid resolution of the situation must be ensured, requiring smooth procedures. For this purpose, Boehlerit commits to close cooperation with the responsible emergency and rescue services.

Additionally, emergency drills are conducted in cooperation with the plant fire brigade and the central services of voestalpine BÖHLER Edelstahl GmbH & Co. to ensure preparedness for emergencies.

9. Grenzüberschreitende Auswirkungen (§ 14 Abs. 3 Z 2 lit d UIG) Cross-border effects (§ 14 para. 3 item 2 lit d UIG)

Cross-border effects in the event of a major accident are not expected.