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Confirmation for companies being part of the critical infrastructure of the Federal Republic of Germany

The German industry association SPECTARIS represents manufacturers of medical devices as well as analytical and laboratory technology. The company Erweka GmbH / Langen is a member of our industry association.

We hereby confirm that our member company with the support of its critical suppliers is making a significant contribution to overcoming the current COVID-19 crisis and to ensuring patient care in Germany.

In accordance with the Ordinance for the Determination of Critical Infrastructure under the BSI Act ("BSI Critical Infrastructure Ordinance"), a distinction is made between critical services and critical infrastructure in Germany. Our companies, including their critical suppliers, fall into one or both of the following categories.

According to § 6 "Health Sector" of the BSI Critical Infrastructure Ordinance critical services include:

1. stationary medical care;

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- 2. the supply of directly life-sustaining medical devices which are consumer goods
- 3. the supply of prescription medicinal products and blood and plasma concentrates for application in or on the human body
- 4. Laboratory diagnostics.

Annex 5, Part 1 of the BSI Critical Infrastructure Ordinance lists as critical infrastructure in the Health Sector:

- (b) Production facilities for direct life-support medical devices that are consumer products: a production site manufacturing medical devices for ventilator/tracheostomy, parenteral feeding, enteral feeding, urinary incontinence and diabetes type 1
- (c) Delivery point: a facility where medical devices for ventilation/tracheostomy, parenteral feeding, enteral feeding, urinary incontinence and diabetes type 1 are delivered
- (i) Transport system: a system to control the physical transport of samples and orders between the contractee of the laboratory and the laboratory.
- (k) 'laboratory' means a facility in which medical laboratory diagnostic procedures for diagnosis and therapy control in human medicine are carried out and in which specialists medical diagnostics are made.

Our member company thus belongs to the critical infrastructure of the Federal Republic of Germany or to the providers of critical services. This role also depends largely on the functionality of our member company's suppliers who support it in the manufacture of critical medical devices or laboratory technology or the provision of corresponding services.

In order to avoid disruptions in health care, it is therefore imperative that Erweka GmbH be able to maintain its operations without restrictions to manage the COVID 19 crisis. This also requires the full commitment of its staff. It is necessary that the critical suppliers of our member company remain capable of working, too.

Respectfully,

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