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Re: Compliance to BIS(Bureau of Indian Standards) Certification and Registration Requirements

To: Whom It May Concern:

Duracell® alkaline batteries are fully compliant with the BIS Certification and Registration Requirements. Duracell manages compliance with BIS as part of our product quality, safety and regulatory activities and compliance with BIS requirements is of the upmost importance to the Duracell Company.

Products in India can either be under the Foreign Manufacturers Certification Scheme(FMCS) or a Compulsory Registration Scheme (CRS) for Electronics & IT Goods (<http://bis.org.in/fmcs/index.asp>).

Find a comprehensive list of products under mandatory certification (<http://www.bis.org.in/cert/ProdUnManCert.asp>) in APPENDIX I as listed on the current BIS website. Also find a comprehensive list of products that are covered under Compulsory Registration Scheme aka CRS (<http://crsbis.in/BIS/products.do>) in APPENDIX II as listed on the current BIS website.

The only battery product covered by the FMCS is the Multipurpose dry batteries (Indian Standard IS 8144: 2018: Multipurpose dry batteries) whose scope covers Zinc Carbon Leclanche type dry batteries with IEC designations R03, R6, R14 and R20 that **DURACELL does not make**. It is worthy of note DURACELL does not make Heavy duty dry batteries whose scope covers Zinc Carbon Leclanche type dry batteries with IEC designations R03, R6 , R14 and R20.

The only battery product covered by the CRS is the ‘sealed secondary cells/batteries containing alkaline or other non-acid electrolytes for use in portable applications’ i.e. covered by IS 16046:2015 which DURACELL does not yet have in the Indian market and we will secure the necessary registrations/certifications prior to shipment and selling in the Indian market.

Clearly, the alkaline cells DURACELL sells in India are primary (non secondary) batteries as referenced above. There is therefore no regulatory obligation under BIS for mandatory registrations/certifications of these products prior to marketing in India.

Please do not hesitate to let us know if we need to further clarify anything.

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