IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THE SUPPLY OF RUCO INKS

A regulation for certain chemicals used over 100 years in the printing inks by manufacturers is changing due to research findings and these will become unavailable to use very soon.

RUCO is removing the following chemicals from its programme with immediate effect.

- Anones: Cyclohexanone (CAS:108-94-1) to Cyclohexanol (CAS:108-93-0)
- **Xylene** (CAS:1330-20-7)
- Ethyl Benzene (CAS:100-41-4): Aromatic Hydrocarbons
- Trimethyl benzene (CAS:526-73-8)

Based on above changes RUCO has developed two new series of inks: T200 & T120 for the business of pad printing. This means that current ink series T18, T40, T45, T70, 180PE, 400LMG, 450JK & 700ST are being discontinued replaced by new T120/ T120 ink series.

The market acceptance of these inks is very good in Europe including UK & Germany. We have put together a plan to try and smooth the transition to these new less harmful inks.

- 1) We can send out samples of black and white for any print trials.
- 2) Free re-matching of colors in the T200 series.

- 3) We are looking to buy from RUCO up to 6 month stock of the discontinued ranges to enable you switch over to the new inks. Our target is to have stock until 31/8/2015 based on current supply rates. However, to guarantee current prices we recommend that you order your ink stock by the end of May to avoid incurring the price increase.
- 4) Prices for any stock will remain the same and we will only put the 40% increase for non- stock items ordered between 1st October and 1st December.

The many advance features of these inks include higher opacity and ink usability both as 1K & 2K. We are ready to offer the following facilities to you for easy transition.

- 1) Offer free samples of Black/ White with additives.
- 2) Offer free testing by our technicians.
- 3) Offer free color matching by the help of spectrophotometer analysis.
- 4) Maintain stock for about 3 months, July 2015.
- 5) All documentation of compliances.
- 6) Documentation paper explaining restriction of these elements.
- 7) Toxicological compliance (as per FDA) of T200 Black 9001 as representative.

If you need any information on these inks or documentation please feel free to contact the undersigned email.

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