

Sweden consults on implementing RoHS phthalates ban

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Sweden has launched a consultation on a proposal to ban electrical and electronic equipment containing more than 0.1% of any of the phthalates DEHP, BBP, DBP and DIBP.

The proposal, initiated by the country's Ministry of the Environment and Energy, implements an amendment to the EU RoHS Directive.

The ministry has referred its proposal to 75 bodies for review. They include national agencies, regional authorities, NGOs such as Greenpeace and WWF, plus industry.

Comments must reach the ministry by 1 November.

The proposal comes after the European Commission last year <u>adopted a RoHS ban</u> on the phthalates.