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Discontinuation of Dedicated CMC10A Cable

1. Overview

We are announcing the discontinuation of the dedicated cable (model No.: 81440793-001) for the CMC10A.

2. Background

On Jan. 2, 2013, provisions of the revised RoHS Directive will go into effect. At that time a part of the cable will no longer be in compliance. Also, in recent years PCs with USB connectors have come into wide use, while demand for PCs with RS232C connectors has declined. For these reasons, the sale of the cable will be discontinued.

■ About the revised RoHS Directive

Provisions of the revised RoHS Directive will go into effect on January 2, 2013 as follows.

(1) Targeted products

Currently the RoHS Directive applies to electrical and electronic equipment other than medical equipment, monitoring equipment, control equipment, etc. However, starting from the date mentioned above, it will apply to all electrical and electronic equipment.

(2) Targeted substances

Cadmium, lead, mercury, hexavalent chromium, and a range of flame retardants, notably polybrominated biphenyls (PBB) and polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDE).

(Currently the above six substances are specified. Within 3 years, the designation of substances will be re-examined, and other substances may be periodically added.)

(3) Exemption: The maximum allowable concentration level of a controlled substance can be eased depending on the application.

Lead, which is currently allowed in the dielectric layer of a ceramic capacitor, will be excluded from the exemption starting on January 2, 2013.

Note: For this reason, the cable for the CMC10A will no longer conform to the RoHS Directive.

·What are the exemptions?

If technical difficulties are found in replacing a restricted substance, an application for an exemption can be made, and the maximum allowable concentration level of the substance for a specific use can be eased. Exemptions specify an effective date for each item.

(4) Proof of RoHS conformity

For proof of conformity to the RoHS Directive, the following three items are necessary.

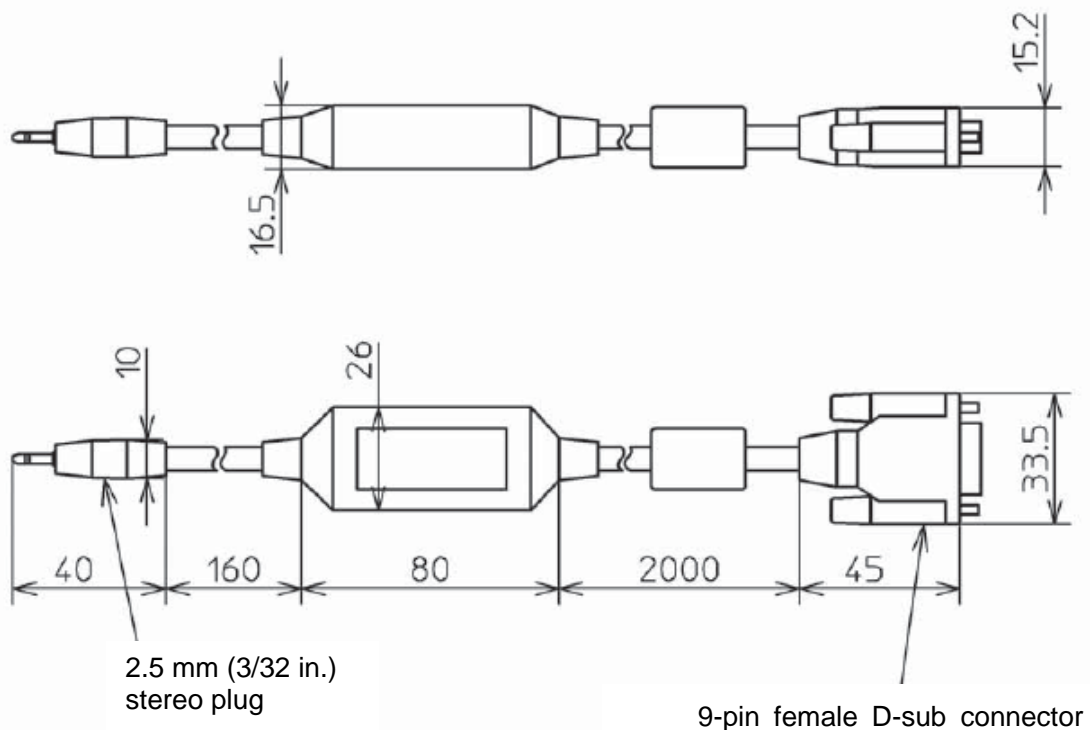
- End products must be labeled with the CE marking.
- A declaration of RoHS conformity must be created and stored for 10 years.
- Technical documentation must be created and stored for 10 years.

3. Requirements/actions

- Be sure to tell customers who have purchased the product about the discontinuation. In addition, please quickly contact customers who export the product to the EU.
- We intend to replace the cable with the USB cable included with the Smart Loader Package. However, if this replacement causes difficulties, please ask customers to buy the quantity of the cable that they will need as a final purchase. Since the product's RoHS Directive conformity will expire after January 1, 2013, please ask customers not to export the product to EU in 2013.

4. Discontinued product

Model No.: 81440793-001



External dimensions of the dedicated CMC10A cable

5. Schedule of discontinuation

Last date for orders is November 16, 2012.

Last date for shipment is December 14, 2012.

6. Replacement

- The replacement will be the USB cable included with the Smart Loader Package. Details will be given in an October issue of the *AAC Marketing Bulletin*.

7. Inquiries

Contact H. Masuda, Marketing Department, Control Management Gr. 2.

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