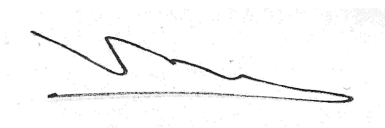


Erembodegem, February 21, 2008

**Declaration regarding  
Commission Regulation (EC) N° 1400/2002 Art. 1 1 t), u)  
Block Exemption Regulation**

We hereby declare that Gates products meet the requirements for automotive spare parts, as established by the Commission Regulation (EC) N° 1400/2002 Art. 1 1 t) or u), especially in view of the repair and maintenance operations by professional installers.



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