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Declaration of conformity / Information concerning the REACH regulations

On 1st June 2007 the new chemicals regulations, (EG) no. 1907/2006, for the registration, evaluation, authorisation and limitation of chemical substances (REACH) has become effective. Since June 2008, it is no longer permitted to manufacture more than one ton per year of such substances within the EU or to import them into the EU, if they have not been registered or preregistered.

The derivation of substances and materials from waste – so-called “secondary raw materials” - is also fundamentally regarded as manufacturing in terms of REACH. Hence recycling companies are also obliged to register in accordance with article 6 of the regulation. However, according to article 2 (7d), substances recovered within Europe are exempted from registration, if they are identical to registered substances and the information according to article 31 (safety data sheet) or 32 (information obligations without safety data sheet) are available to the recycling company.

Although polymers themselves are fundamentally exempted from registration, the monomers, from which the polymers are assembled, have to be registered according to article 6(3). Polymers which contain additives (compounds), are to be considered as preparations, whose ingredients must be registered.

As a polymer recycling company, we have identified the monomers and additives contained in our products and have pre-registered them accordingly

Our company's identification number (UUID) is:

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The products we supply are therefore still marketable even after 1st December 2008. Due to the fact that the manufacturers/importers of the primary substances have declared that they will register the monomers and additives within the transition periods, we are not obliged to register ourselves. For our customers this guarantees that they can continue to purchase our products from us as before.

In consideration of art. 31 and 33 of the REACH regulation we can state that according to the information given by our suppliers to date a notification of substances listed in annex XIV of the regulation (substances of very high concern) is not necessary.

Although we are not manufacturers of articles, we know that our customers use some of the raw materials we supply to manufacture articles. Because our company derives substances from old plastics from a variety of sources and in a variety of compositions, we carry out a strong dilution and homogenisation with other batches during the processing of our raw materials. In addition, we share a joint interest with our customers in striving towards a constant quality control of our products. Should the situation arise that you purchase a product which obliges you to provide information, we will inform you immediately and unbidden.