



Dear Valued Customer,

Concerning Adhesive Formula: 925

FPC is aware that five EU Member States (Germany, Denmark, Netherlands, Norway, and Sweden) have submitted a proposal to the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) to restrict or prohibit most uses of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFASs) in accordance with the EU REACH (Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals) Regulation; and we also note that other regions and several US states are looking to impose similar restrictions. PFASs are, or ultimately transform into, persistent substances, leading to irreversible environmental exposure and accumulation. Due to their water solubility and mobility, contamination of surface, ground- and drinking water and soil has occurred in the EU as well as globally and will continue. It has proven very difficult and extremely costly to remove PFASs when released to the environment. In addition, some PFASs have been documented as toxic and/or bioaccumulative substances, both with respect to human health as well as the environment. Without taking action, their concentrations will continue to increase, and their toxic and polluting effects will be difficult to reverse.

The proposal covers approximately 10,000 different PFASs (per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances) that are defined broadly as **"any substance that contains at least one fully fluorinated methyl (CF₃-) or methylene (-CF₂-) carbon atom (without any H/Cl/Br/I attached to it)."**


The proposal also covers fluoropolymers.

Based on information FPC has received from our suppliers, PFAS are not intentionally added to any of the materials used in the adhesives your company purchases and confirms that they do not intentionally contain any PFASs (as starting materials, active ingredients, products, potential degradants, etc.). Since PFASs are not intentionally added, we do not expect them to be present in finished products, and consequently, we do not specifically analyze for them.

Respectfully,

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