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Subject: PFAS Declaration – Per (fully) and Poly (partial) Fluor-Alkyl Substances

Dear Business Partner,

Sealing Specialties, Inc. certifies that our elastomer compounds consist of large, long-chain molecules and belong to the group of polymeric PFAS. These are classified as harmless to both humans and nature. Therefore, fluoropolymers and products that contain fluoropolymers pose no risk to human health and the environment when they are used as intended. PFAS is a broad acronym used to describe a family of thousands of synthetic chemicals that have a C-F bond in them. All FKM, FFKM, FVMQ, and PTFE materials are included in the family of compounds that meet the general definition.

There are current initiatives that are under review by several agencies regarding PFAS substances. The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) published a final REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorization, & Restriction of Chemicals) restriction document on perfluorinated and polyfluorinated alkyl substances (PFAS) on March 22, 2023. The five EU member states of Germany, the Netherlands, Sweden, Denmark, and Norway calls for an EU-wide ban on importing all substances, manufacturing, or bringing to market any PFAS defined products, which includes all fluoropolymers such as FKM, FFKM, and PTFE, for example. Due to the current proposal's broad approach and restrictions on the entire group of PFAS substances, there is concern across many industries and supply chains. The review will conclude in the fall of 2023 and it will evaluate the proposal in terms of the risks to humans, the environment, and impacts on society.

A proposed timeline of the process from the ECHA can be found on their website
<https://echa.europa.eu/hot-topics/perfluoroalkyl-chemicals-pfas>

In the United States, the PFAS being regulated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) pertain to those found in drinking water. Products provided by Sealing Specialties, Inc. do not contain this type of PFAS. Sealing Specialties, Inc. is doing our best to meet our customers' requirements while making sure we are complying with all local, state, and federal legal guidelines. It is our responsibility as a business entity to continue to work closely with our supply partners to use only those polymers approved to remain compliant and that meet all current and future legal requirements. Sealing Specialties products conform strictly to the national regulations of respective countries where such substances are prohibited.

Sincerely,

Sealing Specialties, Inc.

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