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Subject Good Manufacturing Practice for the production of food contact materials

SABIC Europe is a major producer of polymers for the European market. The majority of these products finds its application in the packaging industry. Consequently a large amount of these products come into contact with food.

Materials and articles which are intended to come into contact with food shall be produced in compliance with Commission Regulation No. 2023/2006. This regulation states that these products shall be manufactured in compliance with "Good Manufacturing Practice" so that, under normal or foreseeable conditions of use, any contact with food does not transfer the constituents thereof.

"Good Manufacturing Practice" for the production of food contact materials and articles follows a chain beginning at the approval and acceptance of the materials for polymer production and ending when the materials and articles come into contact with food.

Three main concepts for "Good Manufacturing Practice" are of primary importance:

- Creating awareness at all levels involved;
- Maintaining compliance of the composition and possible migrants through effective contamination prevention;
- Maintaining compliance of the composition and possible migrants through effective management of change procedures indicating potential changes in composition or contamination risk.

SABIC Europe has implemented these concepts into its Management System. This system is continuously checked through internal audits and audits performed by external bodies.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "H. Meessen".

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