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File: 2150-10-1

Dear Mr. Lipps:

Re: Regulatory Status of NOVA Chemicals Inc. Expandable Polystyrene and ARCEL® Resins

This letter is in response to your request to our Mr. Mark Williamson regarding the above. We understand that you are purchasing EPS 33MC, 34RB, 34RC, 35MB, 35MC, R244B, R244BC, F271T-OG, F271TS and also ARCEL 730 grades.

Please be advised that NOVA Chemicals does not deliberately add any of the substances on the draft list of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) to ARCEL 730 and the regular grades of EPS, namely 34RB, 34RC, R244B, R244BC, F2715-OG and F271TS nor are such substances present, to the best of our knowledge, in any of the raw materials used in the manufacture of the resins. While we have not specifically analyzed for their presence we have no reason to believe that they should be present.

Please be advised that the modified EPS resins, namely 33MC, 35MB and 35MC contain a substance which has appeared on the first Candidate List as a Substance of Very High Concern.

That substance is the flame retardant hexabromocyclododecane (HBCD). The additive used by NOVA Chemicals has a different CAS number than the one identified by ECHA but it is substantially the same chemical thus we are disclosing its presence to you. The use level is approximately 0.6 weight percent.

For your information, some modified production from the Beaver Valley site contains a different type of brominated flame retardant.

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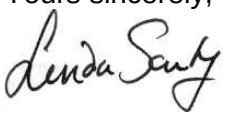
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This information is believed to be correct as of the date of this letter. However, since regulations are subject to change we recommend that you contact us in one year's time to confirm the regulatory status.

If you require further information, please contact the undersigned at (905) 542-6992, by fax at (519) 862-6166, or by e-mail at santrylj@novachem.com.

Yours sincerely,



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