



The Chemical Company

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Dr. Mitchell Cheeseman
Office of Food Additive Safety, HFS-200
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition
Food and Drug Administration
5100 Paint Branch Parkway
College Park, MD 20740


Dear Dr. Cheeseman:


The purpose of this letter is to confirm that BASF Corporation (the "Company"), has completed the manufacture and sale of products authorized by Food Contact Notifications (FCNs) 59 and 255 for any use in food-contact applications subject to the jurisdiction of the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The final sales in North America were completed in September 2011, and the Company will not hereafter introduce into interstate commerce or deliver for introduction into interstate commerce the products authorized by Food Contact Notifications (FCNs) 59 and 255.

Based upon BASF Corporation's experience, it is expected that the large majority of any existing stocks of the neat Food Contact Substance (FCS), paper and paperboard coated with these FCSs, and food packaged in paper coated with these FCSs, held by companies further down the supply chain from BASF Corporation will be exhausted within one-year of the cessation of initial introduction into interstate commerce.

The undersigned is authorized to make these representations and commitments on behalf of the Company. This letter and the representations and commitments contained herein are and will continue to be binding on the Company and its successors and assignees of any rights or obligations with respect to products which are subject to the FCNs listed above.

Very truly yours,



Theodore Kelly, Jr. 
Vice President, Wet End Paper Chemicals