

REACH Statement for Polystyrene

On June 1, 2007, the European Commission's new regulatory system (EC 1907/2006) for the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and restriction of Chemicals (REACH) went into effect. TOTAL PETROCHEMICALS USA, Inc. (TOTAL) produces polystyrene. Under REACH, our polystyrene products are considered preparations, as well as polymers.

Many of TOTAL's polystyrene customers outside of the EU manufacture articles, which in most cases will not require registration or notification under REACH to be imported into the EU. Article 7 of REACH, defines circumstances under which article producers and importers are required to register or notify of substances in articles and details the requirements. Along with other requirements, Article 7 requires that any producer or importer of articles to notify the European Chemical Agency when an article contains Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) in a concentration above 0.1% (w/w).

At this point in time, TOTAL's polystyrene products do not contain any substances specifically identified as SVHCs* at levels greater than 0.1 %.

TOTAL has pre-registered the necessary monomers and additives for its production of polystyrene polymers in accordance with REACH using an Only Representative (OR) to assist our customers who import our polystyrene products in unmodified form or as a compound into the EU.

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* These currently include (see Article 57 of REACH) substances which are Category 1 or 2 Carcinogens, Mutagens, and Reproductive toxins (CMRs) in accordance with Directive 67/548/EEC; substances which are Persistent, Bioaccumulative, and Toxic (PBTs) or very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative (vPvBs) in accordance with Annex XIII of REACH; or substances on the recent candidate list (updated October 29, 2008).

