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DECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE FOR MATERIALS AND ARTICLES INTENDED TO COME INTO CONTACT WITH FOOD ([1])

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The issuer of this declaration and manufacturer of the products concerned hereby confirms that the products:

"Ertacetal® C LQ POM-C Food Grade natural" [POM-C]

Semi-finished products: round rods and **plates** ([3]) **and**
Finished parts machined from these semi-finished products by Mitsubishi Chemical Advanced Materials

European Union

The above mentioned products

- **comply with the requirements of the articles 3, 11(5), 15 and 17 of the Regulation (EC) No 1935/2004,**
- **comply with the relevant requirements of the Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 as amended up to and inclusive of the Commission Regulation (EU) 2020/1245,**
- **are manufactured according to Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) as set out in Regulation (EC) No 2023/2006 of 22 December 2006 on good manufacturing practice for materials and articles intended to come into contact with food.**

Based on migration tests performed on the products according to Regulation (EU) 10/2011 as amended, the overall migration as well as the specific migration does not exceed the legal limits set out in Regulation (EU) 10/2011, **when used as specified below**.

Specifications on the intended use of the products:

- Type(s) of food intended to come into repeated contact with the material:
  All types of food
- Type(s) of food NOT intended to come into repeated contact with the material:
  Not applicable
- Time and temperature of treatment and storage when in contact with the food:
  - ***Overall migration tests run under the standardised testing conditions***
    OM2 in 10 % ethanol (v/v)
    OM3 in 3 % acetic acid (w/v) and
    OM5 in vegetable oil
  - ***Specific migration tests run in***
    3 % acetic acid (2 hours, 70 °C),
    10 % ethanol (10 days, 40 °C) and

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Vegetable oil (1h at 121 °C) [1]

- ***Visible migration tests run according to the analytical method described in the Appendix of European Resolution AP (89)1, "On the use of colorants in plastic materials coming into contact with food", dated September 13, 1989, under III.1.***

- Ratio of food contact surface area to volume (S/V) used to establish the compliance of the products:

S/V = 6 dm²/kg

The following substances, subject to restrictions under Regulation (EU) 10/2011 as amended, are used in the products:

Chemical name of the substances	Restrictions
Trioxane (CAS No 110-88-3)	SML = 5 mg/kg
Formaldehyde (CAS No 50-00-0)	SML(T) = 15 mg/kg
1.3-Dioxolane (CAS No 646-06-0)	SML = 5 mg/kg
Triethyleneglycol bis[3-(3-tertbutyl-4-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl) propionate] (CAS No 36443-68-2)	SML = 9 mg/kg
2,4,6-triamino-1,3,5-triazine (CAS No 108-78-1)	SML = 2.5 mg/kg
Antimony trioxide	SML = 0,04 mg/kg expressed as antimony
Copper	SML = 5 mg/kg
Chromium	SML = ND
Cadmium	SML = ND
Barium	SML = 1 mg/kg
Arsenic	SML = ND
Iron	SML = 48 mg/kg
Lead	SML = ND
Nickel	SML = 0,02 mg/kg
Mercury	SML = ND
Manganese	SML = 0,6 mg/kg
Zinc	SML = 5 mg/kg
Proprietary substances ([4])	

The following substances, identified as dual use additives under Regulation (EU) 10/2011 as amended, are used in the products:

Chemical name of the substances
Calcium salts of fatty acids (E470a)

A risk assessment of Non-Listed Substances (NLS), such as catalysts and Non-Intentionally Added Substances (NIAS), such as reaction and degradation products has been performed in accordance with Article 3 of the Framework Regulation ((EU) 1935/2004) and Article 19 of the Plastic Regulation ((EU) 10/2011), based on the conditions mentioned above.

[1] Specific migration tests in vegetable oil (1 h at 121 °C) being replaced by tests in isooctane (2 h, 60 °C), 95 % ethanol (4 h, 60 °C) and MPPO (1 hours, 121 °C) in accordance with Directive 82/711/EEC as vegetable oil is technically not feasible with the used methods of analyses.

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United States

We hereby provide the following information based on the compliance status of **the raw materials** used at present by Mitsubishi Chemical Advanced Materials for the manufacture of the stock shapes mentioned above, **with respect to their composition**, as set out in the regulations that apply in the United States of America (FDA) for plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with foodstuffs:

- **Ertacetal C LQ POM-C Food Grade** complies with the compositional requirements of the FDA regulations 21 CFR § 177.2470 "Polyoxymethylene copolymer", 21 CFR § 178.3297 "Colorants for polymers", as well as with those of other applicable FDA regulations.
  Based on their composition, **Ertacetal C LQ POM-C Food Grade stock shapes** may basically be used for the manufacture of articles or components of articles intended for repeated food-contact use with all food types I to IX, excluding alcoholic beverages that exceed 15 percent alcohol by volume and infant formula and breast milk, under conditions of use A to H, where use temperature does not exceed 121 °C (250 °F), as defined in tables 1 and 2 in 21 CFR 176.170(c), respectively.

Japan

Based on the compliance status of **the raw materials** used at present by Mitsubishi Chemical Advanced Materials for the manufacture of the stock shapes mentioned above, **with respect to their composition**, as set out by the Japan's Ministry of Health, Labour & Welfare (MHLW) in the Official Notification (Notification No. 196 of 2020) of 28 April 2020 for utensils, containers and packaging intended to come into contact with foodstuffs:

- **Ertacetal C LQ POM-C Food Grade** complies with the compositional requirements of the 'Base polymers (Plastics)' and 'Additives' Japan food contact positive lists.
  Based on their composition, **Ertacetal C LQ POM-C Food Grade stock shapes** may basically be used for the manufacture of articles or components of articles intended for food-contact use with all food types, under maximum temperature conditions II.

It remains the responsibility of the customer putting the plastic articles manufactured from the products into the intended use, to assess the final suitability of the plastic material for the intended food contact application; i.e. checking if the physical properties of the plastic material make it suitable for the intended application, checking compliance of the finished plastic articles with the relevant migration limits, checking for possible influence of the plastic material on the composition and/or organoleptic properties of the contacting foodstuff, etc.

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(1) Regulation (EC) No. 1935/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 October 2004 on materials and articles intended to come into contact with food and repealing Directives 80/590/EEC and 89/109/EEC – Article 16.
(2) This declaration expires 5 years after its date of issue or in case of compositional changes which require its re-evaluation.
(3) For information about the available dimensions, please contact your Mitsubishi Chemical Advanced Materials sales office.
(4) Substances subject to restrictions under Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 as amended are used in the products. Upon request, the identity of these substances can be disclosed to third parties (e.g. test laboratories) under the terms of a Non-Disclosure Agreement.

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NOTES:

- Finished food contact articles shall be manufactured such that the surface skin(s) of the semi-finished products is (are) taken away.
- It remains the responsibility of the customer putting the plastic articles manufactured from the products into the intended use that in accordance with good manufacturing practice, finished food contact articles are thoroughly cleansed prior to their first use in contact with food.
- This declaration of compliance is only valid for products that are carrying the Mitsubishi Chemical Advanced Materials “for food contact label” (sticker), the relevant Mitsubishi Chemical Advanced Materials “trade name label” (sticker) and the label (sticker) carrying the unique ‘production order number’ that allows traceability. For finished parts these stickers can be on the product itself or on their packing.
- It is the responsibility of the buyer to assure the traceability of the material during any further downstream use up to and including the finish machined part as well as the equipment in which it is assembled.

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