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## Customer Letter 16

Dear Customer,

**Subject:** REACH and DuPont

*The DuPont Polymer Businesses have performed all registrations due by 30 November 2010*

This communication is an update of the current DuPont REACH registration status.

### **Registrations under the obligation of DuPont as an importer or as a manufacturer in the European Economic Area (EEA)**

By 30 November 2010, the DuPont Polymer businesses have registered all substances due for registration within REACH by 30 November 2010. We have received from ECHA all corresponding registration numbers.

The registration numbers, as far as relevant under REACH for our customers, will be made available via our Material Safety Data Sheets.

### **Suppliers to DuPont**

None of our European and non-European suppliers has reported any supply chain disruption. We therefore expect that the supply of our materials after 1 December 2010 will not be affected by any lack of registration of raw materials we use in our products.

We will continue to work towards the next registration deadline of 31 May 2013. We have already started our preparations for the registrations due by DuPont, and we are confident to meet the deadline. Meanwhile, we will continue to monitor our suppliers for any eventual product discontinuation.

Yours faithfully,

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As we cannot be aware of all aspects of your business and the impact REACH Regulation may have on your company, we strongly encourage you to get familiar with REACH, its requirements and timelines.

DuPont has no intention to change its product portfolio of polymer offerings due to the introduction of REACH under the condition, that REACH does not impose commercial or technical burden, which could impact the health of our business. However, since DuPont depends on its suppliers, DuPont is not in full control of this decision. Based on industry assessments, it is likely that a certain number of chemicals will no longer be available to the European market. This may necessitate product reformulation, and subsequent product / article re-qualification, or, in more critical cases, to a complete product change.

For your information, please see also the REACH web site of the EU commission:

[http://ec.europa.eu/environment/chemicals/reach/reach\\_intro.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/environment/chemicals/reach/reach_intro.htm)