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Sustainable Flame Retardant Development For Aircraft Cabin Safety

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Albemarle Corporation

2009 Net Sales - \$2.0 billion

Fine Chemicals

25%

POLYMER SOLUTIONS

Electronics, Construction, Packaging, Automotive, National Security

- Flame-retardants
- Antioxidants
- Curatives
- Stabilizers (Stannica LLC)

CATALYSTS

Energy, Transportation, Packaging

- FCC
- HPC
- Polyolefin and Chemical Catalysts
- Alternative Fuel Technologies

FINE CHEMICALS

Agrochemicals, Oilfield chemicals, Solvent cleaners, Paper chemicals, Biocides...

- Fine chemistry services
- Pharmaceuticals
- Bromine chemicals
- Other industrial specialties



Polymer Solutions

35%

- Bromine
- Mineral
- Phosphorus

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Balanced and Far Reaching

Consumer Electronics 16% Const/Furnish 13% Auto/Trans 8% Household/PC 3% Pharma/Nutr 6% Ag Science 5 % Energy/H2O 6% Chem Scv 7% Fuel Quality 17% Fuel Conversion 11% Packaging 5% Other 3%



% of 2008 Net Sales

Over 4,100 employees, in over 45 facilities, serving customers in more than 100 countries

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Why are Flame Retardants Needed?

Flame retardants are used to help:

- Prevent ignition
- Delay the spread of fires
- Delay the time of flashover to enable people time to escape



Toronto, Canada, August 2, 2005: Flame retardants were credited with increasing escape times for all 309 passengers from this jet, which was ultimately completely consumed by fire.

Washington Post, Aug. 5, 2005



Fire Safety is a challenge, but is achievable in home, office, commercial, and transportation environments



Why are Flame Retardants Needed?



- Fire prevention is essential from a number of perspectives:
 - Protection of life
 - Protection of property and the environment
 - Prevention of immediate local pollution to air and water
 - Prevention of lesser-known long-term environmental effects

Combustion gases generated during fires (whether or not flame retardants are present) that contribute to acute toxicity include CO, HCN, HCl, and acrolein. Carbon monoxide is responsible for > 90% of all fire deaths *

The most important pollutants generated in fires are Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) and polyhalogenated dibenzodioxins and furans (PHDDs/PHDFs). Measurements have been made in large fires and have shown that the PAHs have an up to 500 times higher cancer risk than the PHDDs/PHDFs. PAHs are generated in all fires and many are carcinogenic compounds.*

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^{*} Troitzsch, J, "Fire Gas Toxicity and Pollutants in Fires – The Role of Flame Retardants," FR2000 Conference, London, 8th-9th February 2000

Common Flame Retardant Classes



Based on natural elements

There are many different flame retardants in each of these classes

>Each individual flame retardant has it's own unique set of environmental, human health, physical, and chemical properties

The distinct nature of individual flame retardants requires that each be treated on it's own merits

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Common Flame Retardants

- Decabromodiphenyl ether Deca-BDE
 - Electronics plastic parts, wire & cable, textile backcoating
- Tetrabromobisphenol A TBBPA
 - Printed wiring boards (used in laminates fully reacted with epoxy resins) and some plastic parts
- Hexabromocyclododecane HBCD
 - Polystyrene foam and textile backcoating
- Other Br, P, or CI FRs
 - Housings, PWB, connectors, wire & cable, adhesives, PU foam
- Mineral Flame Retardants
 - Wire & cable
- Antimony Trioxide Sb₂O₃
 - Synergist typically used with additive BFRs

North American Regulator Activity

- State-by-state regulations limited number of flame retardants
- TSCA Reform
- EPA

DfE Program History

- "Chemicals of Concern" Action List announced Dec 2009
 - Include phthalates, short-chain chlorinated paraffins, polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs), and perfluorinated chemicals, including PFOA
 - Process could lead to risk reductions actions under section 6 of TSCA
 - EPA also announced that three companies agreed to phase out Deca-BDE
 - Reinforcing the Deca-BDE phase-out with requirements to ensure that any new uses of PBDEs are reviewed by EPA prior to returning to the market.
- "Polybrominated Diphenyl Ethers (PBDEs) Project Plan"
- High Production Volume (HPV) Challenge (~2200 HPV chemicals)
- Design for Environment (DfE) program

Partnership with a broad range of stakeholders - Several have and are currently including flame retardants

Upcoming DfE will review Deca-BDE alternatives

North American Regulator Activity

• CA – Green Chemistry



- On June 23, it was announced that "The Green Chemistry Draft Regulation for Safer Consumer Products" was now available for review and comment (http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/PollutionPrevention/GreenChemistryInitiativ e/gc_draft_regs.cfm)
- The draft regulation specifies the processes for DTSC to scientifically and systematically identify and prioritize chemicals and consumer products, for manufacturers to conduct alternatives assessments, and for DTSC to impose regulatory responses for alternatives selected by manufacturers.
- DTSC may revise the draft regulation based on comments received and will release the revised draft following the July 15 comment deadline. The formal Administrative Procedures Act (APA) rulemaking process will begin with the release of that draft.
- Canada Implementation of Chemical Substances Plan

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EU - RoHS Directive Recast & flame retardants – Review is Ongoing...

June 2, 2010 Vote

- European Parliament Environmental Committee voted to support amendments that require further evaluation instead of a ban on the use of certain organobrominated materials and PVC in EEE
- MEPs voted in favor of an open scope (all EEE would be covered by the legislation, unless specifically excluded)
 - Exclusions recommended
 - Renewable energy generation
 - Certain large-scale installations and industrial tools
 - Materials for military purposes and vehicles
- MEPs also called for a ban on nanosilver and carbon nanotubes and that other EEE material containing nanomaterials should be labelled (manf also supply safety data to the EC)

Next Steps - Amendments will now

- Be considered by the full plenary session of the European Parliament
- Also has to be agreed on by the EU Council of Ministers to become law

EU – RoHS Recast & flame retardants





EU Risk Assessments – Flame Retardants Risk Assessments updates

Flame retardants have already been through an official EU risk assessment under regulation 793/93 (EC). Risk assessment conclusions are recognised by REACH.

No restriction for 5 substances 1 substance classified as PBT, 1 substance classified as CMR cat. 1-2

Br	Deca-BDE	Finalized in 2005	No restriction on use			
	TBBPA	Finalized in 2008	No restriction on use			
l	HBCD	REACH transitional system	PBT (REACH Autorization)			
P/C1	ТСРР	Finalized in 2008	No restriction on use			
	TDCP	Finalized in 2008	No restriction on use			
	V6	Finalized in 2008	No restriction on use			
l	ТСЕР	REACH transitional system	CMR cat. 1-2 (REACH Autorization)			

DecaBDE = Decabromodiphenyl ether

- HBCD = Hexabromocyclododecane
- TDCP = tris[2-chloro-1-(chloromethyl)ethyl] phosphate
- V-6 = 2,2-Bis(chloromethyl)trimethylene bis(bis(2-chloroethyl)phosphate)

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TBBPA = Tetrabromobisphenol A

TCPP = tris(2-chloro-1-methylethyl) phosphate

TCEP = Tris(2-chloroethyl) phosphate

REACH • Albemarle products REACH process update



- Albemarle committed to register all its FRs portfolio under REACH
 - First deadline of 1st Dec. 2010 will be met for the 28 high volume substances
 - TL-10ST, Albemarle's TL-10ST (2,2-Bis(chloromethyl)trimethylene bis(bis(2-chloroethyl)phosphate)) has successfully completed registration (REACH Registration # 01-2119419991-33-0000)

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REACH Flame Retardant Summary

- HBCD (Hexabromocyclododecane)
 - Classified as a PBT On the 1st Candidate List for Authorization
 - Used in EPS & XPS, with no available alternatives
 - Authorization is being sought for this application due to the importance of insulating foam
 - Application for Authorization due mid-2012
 - Current sunset date is late 2013 for all applications without Authorization
- TCEP (Tris(2-chloroethyl) phosphate)
 - Classified CMR cat. 1-2 after EU risk assessment
 - Not sustainable under REACH alternatives available for all uses



Informed Substitution

Informed Substitution Goals



- Minimize likelihood of unintended consequences
- Choose a course of action based on the best environmental and human health information that is available or can be modeled

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Critical Decision Elements



- Be technologically feasible;
- Deliver the same or better value in cost and performance;
- Provide an improved profile for health and environmental issues;
- · Account for economic and social considerations; and
- Have potential to result in lasting change.

Deca-BDE Phase-Out

- Albemarle will phase out production and importation of Deca-BDE
- Our commitments to EPA include the following:
 - We will stop manufacturing Deca-BDE by December 31, 2013

End-Use Application	Deadline for completion of Deca-BDE phase-out		
Wire & Cable (except transportation or military)	December 31, 2010		
All other uses (except transportation or military)	December 31, 2012		
Transportation and military uses	December 31, 2013		

- We will submit to EPA annual progress reports
- After the phase-out period, EPA intends to impose additional Deca-BDE testing requirements on remaining producers/importers
- After the phase-out period, EPA intends to impose a "significant new use rule" or SNUR on Deca-BDE and articles containing Deca-BDE

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SAYTEX® 8010 Flame Retardant

Most widely applicable alternative to Deca-BDE

- Almost a direct drop-in replacement
- UK Risk Evaluation in 2007 recommended that no risk reduction measures be taken
- Performance benefits:
 - Thermal stability
 - Non-blooming
 - Recyclability
 - UV stability for color applications
- Dust Free Saytex® 8010
 - Pellet form with a proprietary, thermally stable binder
 - Reduces cost, enhances performance, and minimizes environmental emissions

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SAYTEX BT-93: High Performance FR for Automotive Wire & Cable

Advantages of BT-93 (ethylene bis-tetrabromophthalimide):

- Excellent thermal stability, suitable for T4/T5 applications
- Outstanding electrical properties
- Non-blooming, even in polyolefins
- Superior UV light stability
- Efficient flame resistance



- Contains 67% Bromine compared to 81% for Saytex 8010.
- Despite lower Br content, BT-93 requires same wt.% loading as Saytex 8010 to achieve similar FR performance.
- Environmental profile
 - ROHS compliant
 - Not considered a "PBT" substance
 - Insoluble; excellent chemical resistance

Albemarle's Polymer Solutions Market Segments

Electrical Connectors

- High performance, high thermal stability FR's
- Polymeric



Wire & Cable

- Broad technology focus (Br, ATH, MDH)
- Leading position in EU
- New product in rollout phase



Molded Thermoplastics

- #1 deca replacement today (Saytex 8010)
- New technology launch in 2010
 - Polymeric
 - Easy to use
 - Broad range of applications



Polyurethane Foams

- Broad technology focus (Br-CI-P)
- Production & Technical presence in fastest growing market
 - State of the art technology center
 - Manufacturing consolidation



Safety & Sustainable Use of Flame Retardants

- Flame Retardant Selection
 - Physical, Mechanical, and Flammability Properties; Stability; and Recyclability of Polymer Formulations
 - Commercial Availability of FR
 - Cost
- Human Health and Environmental Criteria
 - Meets Current Regulations
 - Meets Anticipated Regulations ?



- How do you measure environmental impact of various FR's in use?
 - Life Cycle Assessment
 - Carbon Footprint, Global Warming, Energy Consumption, Ozone Depletion, Air Acidification, etc...

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Albemarle Sustainability Thoughts



- Fire Safety is an important societal good
- We are a fire safety company
 - ALB will provide the right solution; we do not limit ourselves to particular products or chemistries.
- The choice of technology used to achieve fire safety should be based on sound principles
 - Full life-cycle analysis
 - Non-toxic, non-bioaccumulative products
 - Consideration of environmental and societal impacts
- We must solve the end-of-life problem for products, including electronic products
 - Products should enable recyclability

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Lew et al. Evaluating the Environmental Impact of Plastics : Developing a Sustainability Index for Polymer Resins used in Electronic Enclosure, University of California Berkeley, May 2008

Students of Dr. Arpad Horvath: James Lew, Caroline Mahe, Trucy Phan, Claire Saint-Pierre, and Nicholas Semon

Impact Category (IC)	Abbrev.	Index Used	Equivalence Unit	
Acidification Potential	AP	CML2001, Acidification Potential (AP)	kg SO ₂	
Carcinogens	n/a	EI99, IA, Human health Carcinogenic effects	DALY	
Eutrophication Potential	EP	CML2001, Eutrophication Potential (EP)	kg PO4	
Global Warming Potential (100 years)	GWP	CMI.2001, Global Warming Potential (GWP 100 years)	$kg CO_2$	
Human Toxicity Potential (HTP inf.)	HTP	CML2001, Human Toxicity Potential (HTP inf.)	kg DCB	
Ozone Layer Depletion Potential (steady state)	ODP	CML2001, Ozone Layer Depletion Potential (ODP, steady state)	kg R11 (CFC-11)	
Photochemical Ozone Creation Potential	POCP	CML2001, Photochemical Ozone Creation Potential (POCP)	kg Ethene	
Radioactive Radiation	RAD	CML2001, Radioactive Radiation (RAD)	DALY	

Equivalency / Impact	Europe			US			Weighting
Super-Category	ABS	HIPS	РС	ABS	HIPS	PC	Factor
Ecosystem Quality	0.48	0.23	1.0	0.44	0.25	0.83	0.40
Human Health	0.94	0.30	0.90	0.93	0.33	1.0	0.40
Resource Depletion	0.61	0.51	1.0	0.62	0.54	0.92	0.20
Total Index	0.69	0.31	0.96	0.67	0.34	0.92	

"The calculations indicate that HIPS has the least environmental impact per kilogram produced. ABS comes second, and PC falls a distant third, coming in last in nearly all of the impact categories. The U.S. and European data are not that far off from each other. The final analysis to determine the best choice must be completed by factoring in the mass of each polymer needed for the specific application."

Energy Consumption



Energy consumption (MJ per ton of resin)

Sources – Derived From: Lew et al. Evaluating the Environmental Impact of Plastics : Developing a Sustainability Index for Polymer Resins used in Electronic Enclosure, University of California Berkeley, May 2008

Global Warming Potential (GWP)



Global Warming Potential (GWP) quantification (kg-CO₂-Eq. per ton of resin) Sources - Derived from: Lew et al. Evaluating the Environmental Impact of Plastics : Developing a Sustainability Index for Polymer Resins used in Electronic Enclosure, University of California Berkeley, May 2008

PC/ABS alloy - 70% PC + 30% ABS

To achieve sustainability...

- Our new product development will focus on
 - Polymeric solutions, big molecules
 - Reactive products that become bound to the final polymer
 - Mineral products



- Releases of all product to the environment must be minimized
 - We will champion the implementation of measures throughout the supply chain to minimize emissions of persistent compounds
 - Engage distributors, customers, and competitors in programs such as VECAP to eliminate all products from the environment







GreenArmor™

- First product in our family of green solutions
- non-bioaccumulative
- superior toxicity profile
- excellent recycle capability
- exceptionally broad application profile
- Polymeric flame retardant



- Highly stable product lends itself to efficient recycling of plastics
- Emissions to the environment are minimized, when combined with other good practices such as the Voluntary Emissions Control Action Program

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Eliminating Emissions To The Environment Is Of The Utmost Importance For Sustainability

- Voluntary Emissions Control Action Program
 - Voluntary producer and user implemented
 - Emissions identify sources of BFR emissions
 - Control reduce, minimize and where possible eliminate emissions
 - Action dynamic, continuous process
 - Program focus on best practices to eliminate emissions

VECAPTM

VECAP[™] is an Industry Program that can be applied to all polymer additives to prevent potential emissions and save valuable raw material









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Reduce Levels of Environmental Emissions of Flame Retardants

VECAP addresses many stages of the Life-Cycle





Manufacturing

- Production
- Packaging
- Shipping

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Processing

- Dust from unloading and feed operations
- Leaks in feed equipment
- Improper clean-up of spills

Waste disposal

- Residues in packaging
- Poorly treated wastewater from system wash-outs
- Waste not reprocessed



We are asking users to:





VECAP in Action – Best Available Practices for Handling Packaging



Problem

- Discarded packaging can retain small amounts of product
- Product has the potential to get into the environment, depending on end-of-life practices for empty

packaging

Solution

VECAP Best Available Technique (BAT) for Emptying Packaging Document and Poster



These techniques can be applied to all polymer additives to prevent potential emissions and save valuable material for use, rather than waste

Conclusions

- Flame Retardants provide a valuable role in our society
 - Prevent ignition
 - Delay the spread of fires
 - Delay the time of flashover to enable people time to escape
- It is important that Flame Retardants are safe in use
- Regulations that are being developed worldwide provide the platform to achieve this goal with a level of confidence
- Emissions of polymer additives to the environment must be minimized
- GreenArmor[™] is the first product in Albemarle Corporation's Earthwise[™] family of sustainable solutions



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PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

The Voluntary Emissions Control Action Program for Brominated Flame Retardants