Selecting the appropriate antioxidant for PVC cable Cable 2014, Cologne

Perstorp contributes to a better more sustainable world by delivering innovative chemical solutions



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Perstorp in brief

- World leader in several sectors of the specialty chemicals market
- Pioneer in formalin chemistry, plastics and surface materials
- ➡ Perstorp was formed in 1881, over 130 years of winning formulas
- Since December 2005 controlled by PAI partners, a leading European private equity company
- Annual turnover of more than 10 billion SEK in 2012
- ➡ About 1,500 employees in 22 countries
- Production plants in Europe, Asia and North America
- Sales offices in all major markets





Perstorp in the PVC industry

- Perstorp is a fully integrated plasticiser producer based on the west coast of Sweden since 1980's
- Perstorp exited the DOP business in 2012
- Storage facilities in UK, Belgium, Germany and Portugal to serve Europe
- Focus on European market and sustainable growth
- Member of ECPI, VinylPlus and founding member of PlasticiserPlus











Perstorp believes in plasticisers

- Perstorp is making its largest investment in history
- Based on our own technology and backwardly integrated in raw materials
- ➡ It will be on stream in Q1 2015
- ➡ Two plasticizers in the product tree, Emoltene[™] 100 and Pevalen[™]
- ➡ This investment will increase the production by 150 000 MT



Emoltene™ 100

Investment for a more sustainable future

Pevalen™

Versatile general PVC plasticiser

- Established C10 (DPHP) GP plasticiser
- Excellent versatility and flexibility
- Expands lifespan of end products
- High technical performance, with tough outdoor resistance

 New capacity for Valeraldehyde and its derivatives

- Strengthen our production platform
- Fully integrated an secure supply chain
- Ability to offer competitive and safe products

Innovative plasticiser for sensitive applications

High performance polyolester plasticiser

- Highly efficient in providing softness
- Easy to process and use
- Low volatility ensuring no VOC and consistent properties

Flexible, versatile & safe



Emoltene[™] 100 and Pevalen[™] focus on different markets

Emoltene[™] 100 - Durable applications

- Wire and cables
- Films & sheets e.g. roofing membranes, pool and pond liners
- Coated fabrics; e.g. tarpaulins
- Automotive interiors

Pevalen[™] - Sensitive applications

- Coated fabrics; e.g. table cloths, protective clothing
- Films & sheets; e.g. office materials, furniture foils
- Flooring; e.g. public buildings, hospitals, domestic
- Plastisols; e.g. wall paper, toys
- Moulded parts; e.g. grips, hoses



Three key segments where Emoltene[™] 100 is favorable for use



CABLES & WIRES



AUTOMOTIVE INTERIOR



FILM AND SHEETS

- Low volatility and high UV resistance with C10 plasticiser
- at all major users
- Low volatility/migration of C10 plasticisers secures long life span required
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- Well accepted for PVC cables Plasticized PVC not easy substituted for this industry due to the advantage PVC has vs. other polymers
- Plasticized PVC good UV stability and outdoor resistance



plasticiser Selection Cable Insulation

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less	C9	C9	C10	C13	ТОТМ
Wall	C8	C9	C9	C10	C13

→ The C10, Emoltene 100, covers wide cable classifications

- ➡Volatiltiy affects the choice of plasticiser
- ➡ Wall thickness affects diffusion (volatility)



Why use antioxidants?

- PVC cable compounds operating at elevated temperatures
- Antioxidants are added to the polymer formulation to prevent cable degradation
- Extended product lifetime using antioxidants
- Preserve mechanical and electrical properties
- Plasticiser can be supplied using dissolved antioxidant
 - This aids dispersion of the antioxidant in the compound





Selection

- ➡ The selection of long-term thermal stabilizers includes
 - Phenolic
 - Aminic
 - Thioesters
 - Metal deactivators
 - Antiozonants





Antioxidant performance

Important to test in application

- Range of concentrations in specific formulation
- Different sources of raw materials might affect antioxidant performance
- Various antioxidants interact differently with the other ingredients
- Different responses to different test conditions





Traditional

- ➡ BPA
 - Bisphenol A



Performance – pros and cons

- BPA
 - Pressure on usage due to its classification
 - + Very efficient antioxidant







Alternative

- ➡ Irganox® 1076
 - Sterically hindered phenolic structure
 - Octadecyl-3-(3,5-di-tert.butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)-propionate



Performance – pros and cons

- ➡ Irganox® 1076
 - + In general good properties
 - Compatility issues with antioxidants in the stabiliser package





Compatibilty



- Reference (1st) column based on BPA
- Each column represents formulation with different combinations of antioxidants and stabiliser package
- Each row represents one testing condition
- **Conclusion:** Irganox $\ensuremath{\mathbb{R}}$ 1076 works well in general but might have compatilibility issues in certain formulations



Alternative

- ➡ Topanol® CA-SF
 - High molecular weight phenolic antioxidant
 - 1,1,3-Tris(2-methyl-4-hydroxy-5-t-butylphenyl)butane



Performance – pros and cons

- ➡ Topanol® CA-SF
 - + High efficiency
 - + No known issues





Thermostability

Measured as dehydrochloronation

Stab 1 + AO	Thermostability (min)		
0.25 % BPA	101		
0.1 % Topanol® CA-SF	95		
0.25 % Topanol® CA-SF	105		
0.1 % Irganox ®1076	94		
0.25 % Irganox® 1076	99		







Thermal stability

➡ After heat ageing at 120°C







Elongation at break







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Pevalen™ -Unique product performance

Key advantages

- Unique combination of low volatility and high plasticizing efficiency
- High PVC compatibility





Summary

- Perstorp is a reliable supplier of Emoltene[™] 100, the major type of plasticiser for cable and wire
- Many aspects to consider when selecting antioxidants
- Perstorp choses two antioxidants for Emoltene[™] 100, Topanol[®] CA-SF and Irganox[®] 1076
- Perstorp is an innovative company developing a polyolester plasticiser Pevalen™



Thank You for your attention!

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