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HEALTH CANADA NO-OBJECTION-LETTER: HEXAMOLL® DINCH®

BASF Corporation has received a No-Objection-Letter (File: KS08122201) from Health Canada's Health Products and Food Branch (HPFB) for the use of Hexamoll® DINCH® in food packaging applications. Hexamoll® DINCH® may be used as a plasticizer in polyvinyl chloride (PVC) resins intended for the following applications:

- a) In film intended to contact fatty foods (e.g., fresh meat) at a maximum level of 10%;
- b) In film intended to contact aqueous, acidic, and low alcoholic foods (e.g., fruits and vegetables) at a maximum of 35%;
- c) In closure and gasket systems for containers intended to contact non-alcoholic and alcoholic (i.e., beer and wine) beverages at a maximum level of 35%;
- d) In artificial corks intended to contact alcoholic beverages (i.e., wine) at a maximum of 35%;
- e) In flexible tubing intended to contact non-alcoholic and alcoholic (i.e., beer and wine) beverages at a maximum level of 40%;
- f) In conveyor belts intended to contact all food types at a level of 12%.

Please be aware that as a component of food packaging articles, Hexamoll® DINCH® is covered by this no-objection-letter; however, some finished products (i.e., those intended for use in federally registered food establishments in Canada; for example, meat and poultry plants) may require a "letter of acceptance" from Canada's Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) – the agency responsible for ensuring the safety of food packaging materials and construction materials used in federally registered food establishments. Customers may reference the no-objection-letter for Hexamoll® DINCH® when seeking acceptance for their finished articles.

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