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**EU Directive 76/769/EEC (restrictions on marketing and use)
Amended by Commission Decision 2006/122/EC Restricting
Perfluorooctane Sulfonates (PFOS) and Reviewing Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA)**

Cabot Carbon Black Products

Cabot Corporation's carbon black products include all BLACK PEARLS®, ELFTEx®, MOGUL®, MONARCH®, REGAL®, SPHERON®, STERLING®, VULCAN®, UNITED®, CSX™, CRX™, and IRX™ grades.

The PFOS Commission Decision restricts the intentional use of PFOS substances as constituents in certain preparations, products and articles placed on the EU market above certain threshold levels:

- 0.005% by mass used as a substance or constituent of preparations,
- 0.1% by mass in semi-finished products or articles, or parts thereof,
- 1 ug/m² of coated materials or textiles, and
- additional restrictions on fire-fighting foams; photoresists or anti-reflective coatings for photolithography processes; photographic coatings applied to films, papers, or printing plates; mist suppressants for non-decorative hard chromium (VI) plating and wetting agents for use in controlled electroplating systems; and hydraulic fluids for aviation. See Directive for details.

In addition, this Directive states that the Commission shall keep under review the ongoing risk assessment activities and the availability of safer alternative substances or technologies related to the uses of PFOA and related substances.

While Cabot does not test its carbon black products for the presence of PFOS or PFOA, these substances are not used in the manufacturing or processing operations for carbon black products, and therefore PFOS and PFOA are not expected to be present in concentrations above the threshold limits.

This information is being provided as of the date hereof. Please refer to Cabot's website—www.cabot-corp.com for any updates to this information.

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