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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)  
Cabot Aerogel Product(s)\***

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/m<sup>2</sup> 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.

While Cabot does not test its aerogel products for the presence of PFOS, these substances are not used in the manufacturing or processing operations for these products, and therefore PFOS 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](http://www.cabot-corp.com) - for any updates to this information.

\*Includes Translucent Aerogel, Aerogel Beads, Fine Particle Aerogel and IR Opacified Aerogel products.

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