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## EU REACH CABOT CORPORATION AEROGEL PRODUCTS

**Cabot's aerogel products include aerogel particles, opacified aerogel particles, aerogel calcined particles, ENOVA<sup>®</sup> aerogel, LUMIRA<sup>®</sup> aerogel, which include the P, IC,LA, AX, and MT grades.**

The Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of December 18, 2006 on the Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals (REACH) requires manufacturers and/or importers of chemicals to pre-register and/or register those substances in accordance with the procedures and timelines prescribed within the Regulation. Cabot is committed to continuing to supply our EU customers with our aerogel products. In addition, we are working with our suppliers of the raw materials for the above products to ensure continuity of supply.

To assist our customers, we provide the following information:

The aerogel products are chemically surface treated substances. The European Chemicals Agency has provided guidance on the status of chemically surface treated substances in their "Frequently Asked Questions on REACH by Industry". For further information, view [FAQ 38](#) (previously known as FAQ 6.3.8).

As a result of this guidance, to pre-register the aerogel products, it is necessary to pre-register the base particle (e.g., synthetic amorphous silica) and the surface treatment substance.

### **Registration information**

Cabot certifies it has completed the pre-registrations required to cover all aerogel products imported by Cabot into the European Union. The pre-registration numbers are not substance specific. In addition, Cabot considers the pre-registration numbers to be confidential business information, therefore, these numbers cannot be provided. **Please accept this statement as certification of pre-registration of our aerogel products.**

Cabot has successfully registered the base particle, synthetic amorphous silica. Cabot is working with the supplier(s) of the surface treatment substance to leverage their registration.

### **Only representative (OR) information**

Because Cabot aerogel products are manufactured within the EU, **it is not necessary for Cabot to appoint an OR to cover importation of the aerogel products into the EU by our customers.** Importation of aerogel products by our customers is considered re-importation under EU REACH. Re-importation by our customers is covered under Cabot's pre-registration/registration of the aerogel products.



### Substances of very high concern (SVHC) information

The European authorities continue to compile a **provisional list (Candidate List) of SVHC** which should be documented under the REACH Regulation, if present at a concentration greater than 0.1% in a chemical. A new list of SVHC has been published by [ECHA](#) on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

To the best of our knowledge, Cabot's aerogel products do not contain any of the substances mentioned on this Candidate List above the threshold concentration.

In addition, we confirm that currently, Cabot's aerogel products are not classified as a hazardous substance by the EU authorities under the European Regulation 1272/2008/EC (CLP) and its amendments. To the best of our knowledge, we do not expect any Cabot's aerogel products to be classified under the REACH Regulation.

### Safety Data Sheet (SDS) information

According to Article 31.1 of the REACH Regulation, an SDS must be provided for hazardous substances or mixtures. Updated, expanded SDSs for hazardous substances (i.e., with substance classified according to the Classification, Labeling and Packaging Regulation (CLP) and with exposure scenario and Risk Management measures for all identified uses) must be provided by December 1, 2010. Updated SDSs for mixtures is due by June 1, 2015. Cabot intends to update its aerogel product SDSs to make them compliant with CLP requirements; however, as any aerogel product is neither classified according to the European Regulation 1272/2008/EC (CLP), no exposure scenario will be developed.

This information is being provided as of the date hereof. Please visit [cabotcorp.com/responsibility](http://cabotcorp.com/responsibility) for any updates to this information.

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