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Dear valued customer,

As a company embracing Responsible Care® and Product Stewardship principles, and in view of the regulatory restrictions for boric acid, we have performed further analysis regarding free boric acid on a number of our products. Dow Corning currently uses boric acid in a range of products as processing aid. Recent information led us to think that boric acid might actually be consumed in the production process. This was confirmed by our analyses that could not detect free boric acid with a detection limit several orders of magnitude below the legal reporting limit concentration of 0.1%. Boric acid has been classified in the European Union as showing reproductive toxicity, category 1B (GHS classification & labeling), an irreversible health effect. It has also been added to the REACH Candidate list of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC).

We have, therefore, updated our composition documentation and material safety data sheets accordingly.

This impacts the following products:

Dow Corning® 4 Electrical Insulating Compound

Dow Corning® 7 Release Compound

Molykote® 111 Compound

Molykote® G-804 Silicone Compound

Dow Corning® High Vacuum Grease

Please refer to the attached SDS copy(ies).

At Dow Corning, we strongly support the principle of sustainability through our business strategies, processes, products, and solutions. To that end, we are hopeful that this update will be beneficial to your business and also help you in your commitment to sustainability.

We thank you for your continued support of Molykote brand products. Please contact your local Dow Corning representative directly if you have any questions regarding the way this change may affect you.

This assessment is based upon currently available information and is the opinion of Dow Corning for the above-referenced products. This is a general assessment; the safety and the efficacy of the end use application is the customer's responsibility. Nothing herein should be construed as a finished product certificate and Dow Corning disclaims any expressed or implied warranty of fitness for a particular purpose or merchantability and disclaims any liability for incidental or consequential damages regarding the information contained in this letter.

Best regards,

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