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FDA STATUS - PVC RESINS

PVC RESINS IN GENERAL

1. Prior sanction granted for indirect additive use of PVC basic resins that have a maximum volatility of not over 3.0% when heated for one hour at 105°C and that have an inherent viscosity of not less than 0.35, as determined by ASTM D 1243-60, Method A.

Is this prior sanction still in effect?

Yes.

2. FDA Proposal 17 May 1973 would establish a new 121.2009 (PVC), providing that PVC resins consisting of basic resins produced by the polymerization of VC and having a maximum volatility of not over 3% when heated for one hour at 105°C and an inherent viscosity of not less than 0.35, may be used as a component of food packaging material, other than packaging material for use in contact with alcoholic foods.

What is current status of PVC resins?

The proposal has never been acted upon. The current status of PVC resins is that stated in paragraph 1 in general. PVC is also listed on a number of regulations for food contact.

What is status of PVC resins manufactured by BFG Large Poly Suspension Polymerization Technology?

Provided they meet the specifications of 1, they would be considered prior sanctioned or would be suitable for use under any FDA regulation which lists PVC as an acceptable material under current conditions.

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