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FLUON[®] ETFE Is FDA Compliant

AGC Chemicals Americas, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Asahi Glass Company, confirms FDA compliance for Food Contact Notification (FCN) number 481 for its Fluon® ETFE manufactured by Asahi Glass Company. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration concurs compliance on the FDA website.

Fluon® ETFE is a copolymer of ethylene and tetrafluoroethylene that exhibits a combination of desirable properties such as high resistance to heat and chemical attack and outstanding physical toughness. Fluon® is the *only* ETFE resin in the world that is FDA compliant, permitting use as base resins or coatings in repeat use applications in contact with all food types at temperatures up to 150°C in listed applications. The compliance excludes the use of Fluon® AH (adhesive) and AR (elastomer) series resins.

According to Dr. Evan D. Laganis, Fluon[®] Business Development Director: "We are hopeful that the FDA compliance of Fluon® ETFE will further support and encourage the global demand of the marketplace to use Fluon® ETFE in food-related applications."

In addition to Fluon[®] ETFE, AGC Chemicals Americas manufactures and markets and supplies other high performance fluoropolymer materials under the Fluon[®] trade name. These products include PTFE, PFA, Filled PTFE Compounds, Melt Processable Compounds, and PTFE Micropowders. Additionally, AGC Chemicals Americas supplies high performance AFLAS® fluoroelastomers.

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