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Re: Declaration of Absence of POP Substances in NOSHOK Products

Persistent organic pollutants (POPs) are organic substances that persist in the environment, accumulate in living organisms, and pose a risk to our health and the environment. POPs can be transported by air, water, or migratory species across international borders reaching regions where they have never been produced or used. In order to safeguard human health and the environment from the impact of POPs, the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants was adopted by the United Nations Environment Program in 2001 and entered into force in 2004 (ref.: https://echa.europa.eu/pops-legislation).

Chemical substances that have been identified as POPs include:

- pesticides (such as DDT);
- industrial chemicals (such as polychlorinated biphenyls, which were widely used in electrical equipment); or
- unintentional by-products formed during industrial processes, degradation, or combustion (such as dioxins and furans).

NOSHOK is dedicated to compliance with environmental rules and regulations supported by an emphasis on the health and safety of our community and the end users of our products. NOSHOK does not knowingly produce, distribute, import, add, or use POPs chemicals that we are aware of.

NOSHOK will continue to collaborate with our supplier partners and will notify our customers if we become aware of any concerns or changes as it relates to POP chemicals.

Regards,

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