## Visit Report



To: CHAA

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# Google

Participants : Google : Mr.Chris Hung (Plastic & Elastomer)

EMS : J. Ha. A.Chang

OEM : Garmin
Sales responsible : CHAA
Distributor : N/A
Location : Taiwan

Application : Protect housing of Mobile phone

Segment Code : 840

Project number : 840-230330-1 Material : BTR 600 LS

USP : Bio material & Chemical resistance & UV resistance

Potential : 30 t/a SOP : 2Q.2024



#### 1. Target of visit

Check a project status for material testing and development plan.

#### 2. Summary

- BTR 600 met deformation issue at hot press and BTR 400 lead time will be checked again
- "PC+LSR" protecting housing for previous model got complaints in the market on yellowish and deformation, which won't be adopted in future model
- Tritan (PCR) is one of the key competitor for BTR for this application

#### 3. Details

#### **Customer & Project information**

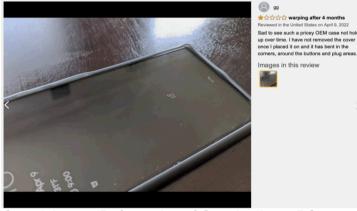
- BTR600 (Tg=118C) was tested for Pixel foldable phone case, but chemical test did not proceed due to a deformation issue at hot press 120°C for bonding with soft non-woven fabric that Google says a micro fiber.
- BTR 400 (Tg=160C) is more suitable but BTR600 was delivered for Google's testing due to no stock issue.
- How to bond a magnet to phone case is not determine, but it might be a hot melt according to Goolgle R&D.

- As another mentioned requirement, Required UV resistance from CMF of Google is too high, it will be adjusted but it is expected to require high UV resistance. If hot melt and high UV resistance required, BTR400(UVH) could be better choice due to low heat resistance of BTR600. \*Not share details on UV requirement.
- Google got complaints (yellowish, deform) of phone case about official Google Pixel case made of PC(PCR). (Details as attachment #1)





< Complaints on Yellowish of Google phone PC case >



< Complaints on Deformation of Google phone PC case >

 Google folderble phone(Pixel fold) which was released for the first time this year has a transparent case made of PCTG (PCR), made by 3<sup>rd</sup> party (CASE-MATE)
 \*On sale in Google web site

#### Part & Test Requirement

- Drop test: 1.5m with 6 directions.
- Tumbling test x 6 cycles (1cycle = 24 hrs) with Chemical(DEET, Sunscream, Ketone) resistance \*Test after applying chemicals to case
- Hot temp 60-80°C, 6 cycles (1cycle = 24 hrs)
- Bio or recycled material

#### 4. Actions

| No. | Action   | Resp. | Due date             |
|-----|--|-------|----------------------|
| 1   | Prepare BTR400(UVH) & BTR600 for testing of Google | Alex  | Aug.30 <sup>th</sup> |
| 2   | Check clear requirement and processing             | HAJU  | Aug.30 <sup>th</sup> |

#### 5. Attachments

#1 Google foldable phone case #2 BTR properties comparison

Best regards,

Jun Ha

## #1 Google foldable phone(Pixel fold) case

### Case-Mate Tough Clear Plus for Pixel Fold\*





## #2 BTR properties comparison

|                           | Unit  | Grilamid<br>TR 90 | Grilamid<br>TR 90<br>LXS | Grilamid<br>BTR 400 | Grilamid<br>BTR 600<br>LS | Grilamid<br>BTR 650<br>LS | Grilamid<br>BTR 700<br>LS | Grilamid<br>BTR 800<br>LS |
|---------------------------|-------|-------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| E-modulus                 | GPa   | 1.6               | 1.5                      | 1.75                | 1.7                       | 1.7                       | 1.65                      | 1.55                      |
| strength at break         | MPa   | 45                | 40                       | 60                  | 55                        | 55                        | 55                        | 50                        |
| Elongation at break       | %     | >50               | >50                      | >50                 | >50                       | >50                       | >50                       | >50                       |
| strength at yield         | MPa   | 60                | 60                       | 50                  | 65                        | 65                        | 65                        | 60                        |
| Elongation at yield       | %     | 6                 | 6                        | 6                   | 7                         | 6                         | 6                         | 5.5                       |
| Notched impact            | kJ/m² | 13                | 9                        | 10                  | 10                        | 8                         | 8                         | 8                         |
| Charpy 23°C/-30°C         |       | 12                | 12                       | 9                   | 10                        | 10                        | 12                        | 13                        |
| Density                   | kJ/m² | 1.00              | 1.00                     | 1.04                | 1.02                      | 1.05                      | 1.05                      | 1.05                      |
| Bio-contents*             | %     | -                 | -                        | 39                  | 60                        | 65                        | 70                        | 80                        |
| Tg                        | ℃     | 155               | 125                      | 160                 | 118                       | 100                       | 90                        | 70                        |
| Light<br>transmission/2mm | 560nm |                   |                          | 93                  |                           | 92                        | 92                        | 92                        |
| Tranparency @<br>3mm      | %     | 91                | 91                       |                     | 91                        |                           |                           |                           |
| Refractive Index          |       | 1.511             | 1.511                    | 1.511               |                           |                           |                           |                           |
| HDT/A @ 1.8MPa            | °C    | 115               | 80                       |                     | 90                        |                           |                           |                           |
| HDT/B @ 0.45MPa           | °C    | 135               | 100                      | 140                 | 105                       | 92                        | 82                        | 68                        |