

## Statement

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We hereby confirm that the above mentioned product does not fall under the nanomaterial definition as listed:

Décret no 2012-232 du 17 février 2012 relatif à la déclaration annuelle des substances à l'état nanoparticulaire pris en application de l'article L. 523-4 du code de l'environnement NOR : *DEVP1123456D and Order of 6 August 2012 because the substances* contained do not fall under the definition "Substance at nanoscale" as given by Art. R. 523-12 of the Environment code :

## Explanation:

## Art. R. 523-12. - For the purposes of this section:

"Substance at nanoscale": substance as defined in article 3 of EC regulation no. 1907/2006, intentionally produced at nanometric scale, containing particles, in an unbound state or as an aggregate or as an agglomerate and where, for a minimum proportion of particles\* in the number size distribution, one or more external dimensions is in the size range 1 nm - 100 nm.

(\*The minimum proportion mentioned in article R. 523-12 of the Environment code, of particles with one or more external dimensions in the size range 1 nm - 100 nm, is defined as 50% of the number size distribution.)

"In specific cases and where warranted by concerns for the environment, health, safety or competitiveness, this minimum proportion may be reduced. This minimum proportion is specified in a joint order issued by the Ministers of environment, agriculture, health, labour and industry. By derogation from this definition, fullerenes, graphene flakes and single-wall carbon nanotubes with one or more external dimensions below 1 nm should be considered as substances at nanoscale.

"For the purposes of this definition, the terms "particle", "agglomerate" and "aggregate" are defined as follows:

- a) "Particle" means a minute piece of matter with defined physical boundaries,
- b) "Aggregate" means a particle comprising of strongly bound or fused particles,
- c) "Agglomerate" means a collection of weakly bound particles or aggregates where the resulting external surface area is similar to the sum of the surface areas of the individual components.

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