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FORMAL PROGRESS UPDATE

Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR) Compliance

Subject: Formal Progress Update: Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR) Compliance

Valued Customer,

New Era Packaging is committed to ensuring the continued compliance of its products and packaging materials with applicable regulatory and customer requirements.

As part of our ongoing assessment in relation to the European Union Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR), we have completed the initial phase of obtaining and reviewing relevant compliance documentation from our raw material suppliers. This includes food contact declarations, food safety status information, certificates, declarations of compliance and other supporting documentation applicable to the raw materials used in our packaging products.

The documentation received to date is available upon request.

Following the formal release of the applicable testing requirements by the appointed testing laboratory, we are currently in the process of preparing the required samples for migration testing.

The samples will be submitted for testing as soon as the preparation and submission requirements have been completed.

It is important to note that the required migration testing must be conducted by an appropriately qualified overseas laboratory.

Due to the introduction of the new PPWR requirements and the resulting increased demand for regulatory testing internationally, testing laboratories are currently experiencing significant testing backlogs.

The current estimated turnaround time for the required testing is approximately four weeks from the date of sample submission. This timeframe remains an estimate and may be subject to change depending on laboratory capacity, testing requirements and the prevailing backlog.

We will continue to actively monitor the progress of the testing and will provide weekly status updates until the testing process has been completed and the applicable test results and supporting documentation have been received.

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We wish to assure our customers that New Era Packaging is actively progressing the necessary compliance activities and is working to ensure that the required information and supporting evidence are made available as soon as practicably possible.

We appreciate your patience and cooperation during this regulatory transition period.

Should you require any additional information regarding the status of our PPWR compliance activities, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully,



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Quality Assurance.