

From: Puttagunta, Prasad
Sent: 08/31/2011 05:15:38 AM
To: McCaslin, Todd
CC: Charest, Ann
Subject: RE: URGENT: Marlex HGX-030-01

Todd,

We tried two routes to get this information, I called my contacts on the sales side at Sumika and we had our Product manager call the contact on the CofA. Debra Bowen is no longer in that role but we have more recent C of As for material we buy and called the current contact listed on the paperwork, as well as their quality leader. Unfortunately, we received the same answer. The lot number on the bag is not a lot number in their system. My guess is that the material was repackaged in China from a bulk container and given a new lot number that may mean something to the Chinese distributor.

As I mentioned in a separate e-mail, I have been unable to discover who the Chinese distributors are, and Phillips Sumika will not take responsibility for the material sold their.

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To: Puttagunta, Prasad

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Cc: Charest, Ann
Subject: RE: URGENT: Marlex HGX-030-01

Prasad,

I have a question (and maybe a suggestion) for you.

I have attached the "old" C of A from Philips Sumika. There is a contact listed on the bottom "for questions...call Debra Bowen at 832-813-4916"

I was wondering if someone from AK could contact the phone # listed (who knows if it is still accurate or not) and ask about the lot # that we have identified on our bags the were procured from the alternate source (picture attached).

I'm just hoping that someone in the department that prepares C of A's may help.

If you have already taken this route, I apologize for the redundant thought.

Thanks

Todd

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From: Puttagunta, Prasad [mailto:npputtagunta@akplastics.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 25, 2011 12:10 PM
To: Charest, Ann
Subject: RE: URGENT: Marlex HGX-030-01

Ann,

I met with my contacts this morning at Phillips Sumika in Houston and I was not able to discover who their brokers are in China or Singapore.

From what I gather, they sell excess material to brokers in the USA that off shore the material through their contacts. I believe this material would have been excess material that PS had at one time, or it was near prime or transitional material that they sold to a broker in the Texas area who sent it overseas. PS does not certify any material they release to the "secondary" market.

The lot number is not the PS data base, so it may be a number that was made up by the person that packaged the material.

PS does not have an office in Singapore but their parent company does and they only sell material from the middle east and Asia through that office. The other materials are from these secondary brokers.

I will send the e-mail on the testing we can do separately.

Prasad

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From: Charest, Ann [mailto:Ann.Charest@bsci.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 12:53 PM

To: Puttagunta, Prasad

Subject: URGENT: Marlex HGX-030-01

Importance: High

Prasad,

- 1) Is the lot number invalid for the US and Singapore?
- 2) Would PS be willing to tell us who their Singapore distributors are? Our contact is reluctant to release this information, which of course means it could be counterfeit.
- 3) When might I expect your e:mail per our discussion last week, regarding what you've been able to find through PS and test services AK might be able to offer BSC?

Thank-you for your continued assistance.

Best Regards, Ann

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From: Puttagunta, Prasad [mailto:npputtagunta@akplastics.com]
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2011 4:18 PM
To: Charest, Ann
Subject: RE: Marlex HGX-030-01

Ann –

I have been told by someone in the quality organization at Phillips Sumika that the lot number below is not valid.

Can you send me a picture of the bag and the lot number. I will check again.

Prasad

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From: Charest, Ann [mailto:Ann.Charest@bsci.com]

Sent: Monday, August 15, 2011 10:38 AM

To: Puttagunta, Prasad

Subject: Marlex HGX-030-01

Importance: High

Prasad,

We believe we have located material in China and the lot number is 6120105. The distributor does not have a Certificate of Compliance on file. We've have pictures of the bags, they are unopened and have the LaPorte, TX address on them. Would it be possible to ask you to use your connections at Phillips Sumika to obtain a copy of the CofC for us?

Thank-you again for your assistance in this task.

Best Regards, Ann

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