

Panel Presentation: Green Chemistry: The View from the Middle of the Supply Chain May 9, 2019

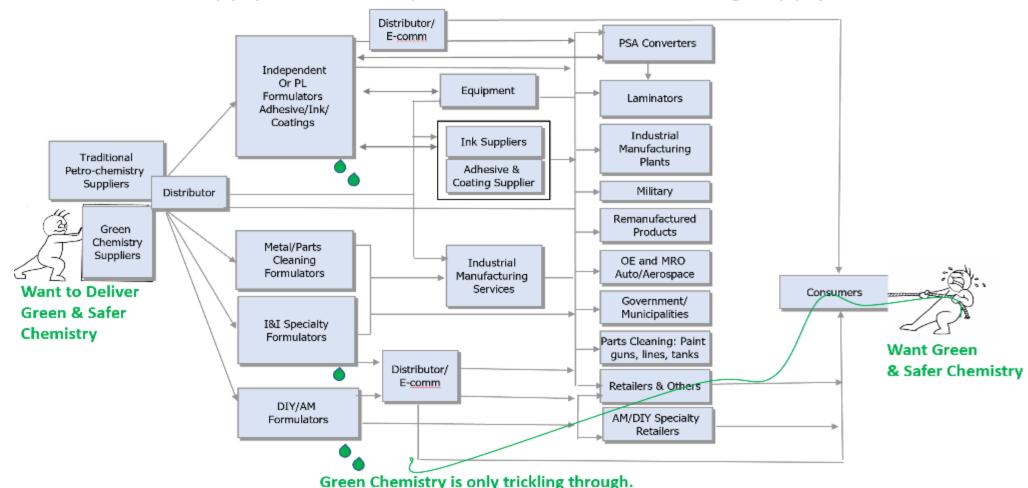
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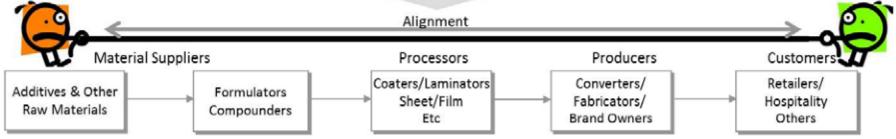
# The supply chain is often broken or slow which creates complex challenges for new technology adoption.

### Supply Chain Example: Adhesive, Ink & Coating Supply



# Many possible deterrents to Green Chemistry Supply





# Today's Panel

Explore how compounders, extruders, molders, formulators, and fabricators face unique challenges in the adoption of green chemistry

Discuss limitations/impediments to the growth of green chemistry encountered throughout the middle of the supply chain.

Discover ways to overcome these challenges and how to contribute to the faster adoption of safer technologies.

# Audience Participation

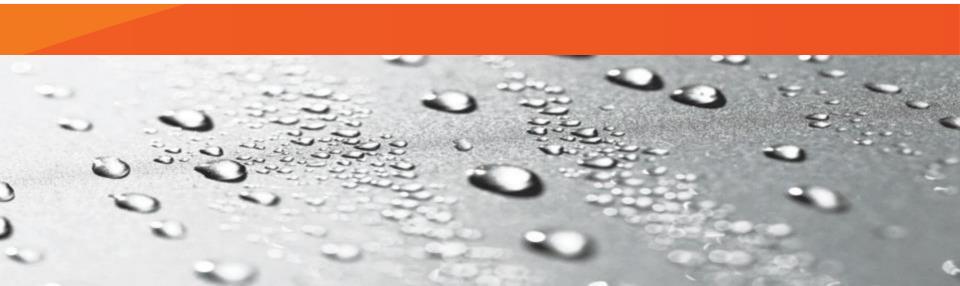
Talk with members of your table and discuss the following to come up with a question or potential solution to discuss with the panel.

- 1. From your perspective, what is needed to make the adoption and scale-up of green chemistry in the middle of the chain faster and smoother? -critical steps for advancing these efforts.
- 2. Can you identify the next steps that members of the GC3 or the GC3 itself can take to promote collaborative models for green chemistry innovation and acceleration?

# **MICHELMAN**°

Emily Williams

Global Growth Platform Leader – Circular Economy



### **About Michelman**

#### Established in 1949

- Specialty chemicals
- Customer-focused
- Privately held

#### Today, Michelman is

- Global
- Sustainable
- Technology independent

#### What We Do Best

Known for our industry-first and deep application expertise, Michelman has a rich history of developing innovative water-based coatings for the printing, packaging and corrugate markets.



# Michelle Mandwide



### **Printing & Packaging**

Paper Converting



Flexible Packaging

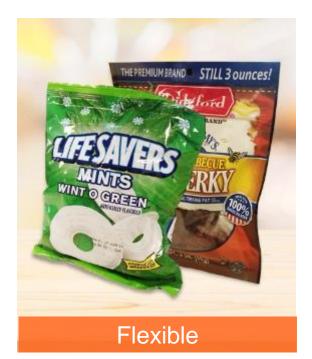


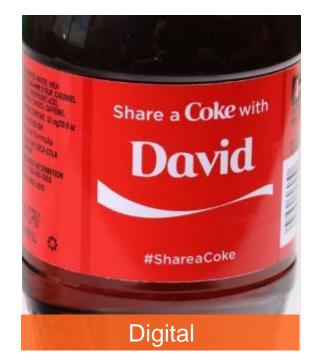
Specialty Printing



## Printing & Packaging

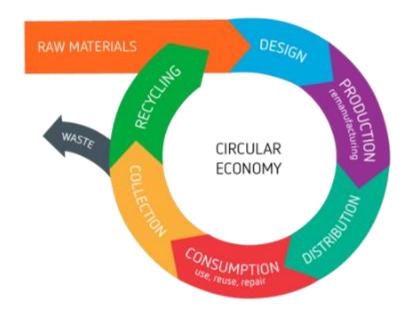






# Innovating A Sustainable Future

- We define sustainability using the concept of Circular Economy
- Solutions focused on raw materials, formulating and design that enable different end of life options
- Differing regional needs
  - Compostable, recyclable, repulplable, monomaterials, biobased, renewably sourced



# **MICHELMAN®**

## EmilyWilliams@Michelman.com







# Who is Teknor Apex?



9 May 2019

Mike Patel

**Director of Marketing and Business Development** 

# **Teknor Apex At A Glance**





Established in 1924, headquartered in Pawtucket, RI



Privately held, family-owned company



Over 2,000 employees



6 business units



13 Manufacturing facilities worldwide:

USA, Singapore, China, Belgium, Germany





# Global Supply. Local Support.





#### NORTH AMERICA

#### **PAWTUCKET, RI**

HEADQUARTERS
TPE COMPOUNDING,
VINYL COMPOUNDING

INDUSTRY, CA
VINYL COMPOUNDING

HENDERSON, KY
COLORANTS
TPE COMPOUNDING

#### LEOMINSTER, MA

TPE COMPOUNDING

#### JAMESTOWN, NC

CPVC COMPOUNDS PVC ALLOYS VINYL COMPOUNDING

#### FOUNTAIN INN, SC

GARDEN HOSE, VINYL COMPOUNDING

#### **BROWNSVILLE, TN**

GARDEN HOSE VINYL COMPOUNDING CHEMICALS TPE COMPOUNDING ETP COMPOUNDING

JACKSONVILLE, TX
COLORANTS

SAINT ALBANS, VT TPE COMPOUNDING

#### **EUROPE**

BELGIUM: GENK
TPV COMPOUNDING

GERMANY: ADELSHOFEN
/ TAUBAERZELL

SALES OFFICE

#### GERMANY: STEINSFLED

TPE COMPOUNDING ETP COMPOUNDING

NETHERLANDS SALES OFFICE

#### **ASIA**

SUZHOU, CHINA VINYL COMPOUNDING

SHANGHAI, CHINA SALES OFFICE

SHENZEN, CHINA SALES OFFICE

**SINGAPORE** 

COLORANTS, ETP COMPOUNDING TPE COMPOUNDING VINYL COMPOUNDING

#### **TAIWAN**

SALES OFFICE

Sales in 90 countries



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## **Global Facilities Overview**





California



Tennessee



South Carolina



North Carolina



Singapore



China



## **Global Facilities Overview**







Vermont

Massachusetts

**Texas** 







Kentucky (2 plants)

Belgium

Germany





### **Our Mission**

Teknor Apex is dedicated to providing our customers superior products and services throughout our operations worldwide.

We conduct ourselves with integrity which is the cornerstone of our business reputation and foundation to build long-term, trusting partnerships with employees, customers, and suppliers.

Our work environment stimulates innovation while creating accountability and respect in our teams. We are committed to continuous learning and development so that our employees can grow to their fullest potential.

We promote the health and safety of our employees and contribute to the well-being of the communities in which we do business. Working together towards our shared vision assures a financially successful company that is a source of sustainable growth and pride for all.



### **Core Values**

















### **6 Business Units**









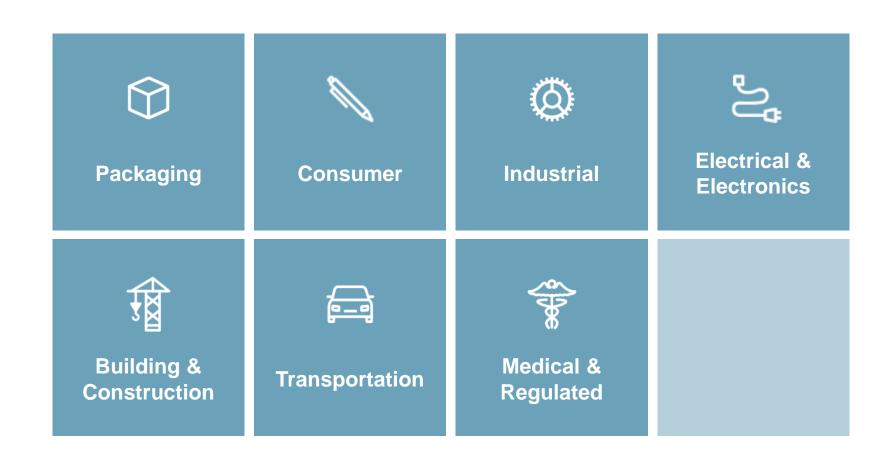






## **Industries We Serve**







# **Vinyl Division**







#### **Industries:**



Consumer



Industrial



Building & Construction



Electrical & Electronics



Medical & Regulated



Transportation

- Apex® Flexible PVC
- Apex® Rigid PVC
- Apex® PVC Blends
- Apex® Calendered PVC Film

- FireGUARD® LS FR PVC
- Flexalloy® PVC Elastomer
- Halguard® LS HFFR
- AquaGuard® cPVC



### **TPE Division**







#### Industries:



Consumer



Industrial



Building & Construction



Electrical & Electronics



Medical & Regulated



Transportation



Packaging

- Monprene<sup>®</sup>
- Sarlink<sup>®</sup>

- Medalist®
- Elexar<sup>®</sup>

### **ETP Division**







#### **Industries:**



Consumer



Electrical & Electronics



Transportation

- Chemlon® (PA6, PA66, PA612)
- Creamid<sup>®</sup> polyamides

- Duramid® polyamides
- Other Specialty ETP compounds



### **Teknor Color Division**





#### **Industries:**



Consumer



Industrial



Building & Construction



Electrical & Electronics



Medical & Regulated



Transportation



Packaging

#### **Products:**

- Custom & Standard Colors
- Additives and Special Effects

Dry Colors



# **Apex Hose Division**







#### **Industries:**



Commercial



Residential



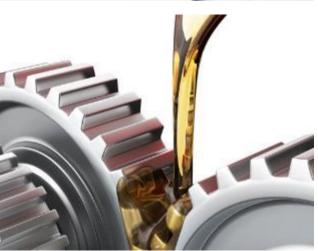
- Zero G®
- Apex<sup>®</sup>

- NeverKink®
- Flexalloy®

## **Chemicals Division**







#### **Industries:**



Industrial



Consumer



Transportation

- **Plasticizers**
- TruVis® Esters (Adipate, trimellitate and polyol esters)

## Single Source - Custom Compounds



- Globalized numerous product lines technology transfer
- Compliance with global codes and standards in diverse markets

RoHS REACH UL NAFTA FDA IEC
ISO CSA NEMA SAE NSF
EU CPR EU MDR



# **Technology & Customer Support**







# We offer state-of-the-art technology and hands-on customer support

- Technical Service
- Formulation
   Customization
- Product Development
- Fully Equipped Analytical Lab
- A2LA Accreditation
- Specialized
  Services/Support
- Application Development
- Design & Launch Support

- Algor FEA / MARC Analysis
- AutoCAD & Mold Flow
- Prototyping Equipment
- Weight/Cost Reduction
- Research & Development
- Future Innovation & Solutions
- CTC Customer Collaboration



## Application Development Centers GC3INNOVATORS



LEOMINSTER, MA, USA

SUZHOU, CHINA

|ROTHENBURG O.D.T., GERMANY - 2020



- Provides the tools for Engineers and customers to explore ideas, solve production issues, and minimize speed to market when testing new materials or concepts
- Production scale equipment provides real time part and process screening
- AD support enables concept designs from CAD and FEA to transform to real parts
- Mobile engineering team for onsite assistance



# **Application Development Lab**







### This is where we keep our problemsolving promise

- CAD/CAM Tool Development
- **FEA Simulation**
- Extrusion Prototyping
- **Sheet Extrusion**
- Profiles coextrusion up to 4 materials
- Wire & Cable Line

- Injection Molding **Prototyping**
- Blown Film
- **Thermoforming**
- 3D Printing: Prototype Parts and Tooling
- Specialized Lab **Equipment Built** to Replicate End-**Use Conditions**



# The Advantages of Teknor Apex





How we've become the industry's trusted polymer partner:

- Breadth of Polymer and Compounding Knowledge
- Expertise in a Wide Range of Industries
- Internal Efficiencies that Impact Speed to Market
- **Customized Formulations & Product** Development
- Application Development Support
- Intimate Customer Relationship with **Superior Support**

We are dedicated to providing quality products with superior support and value!



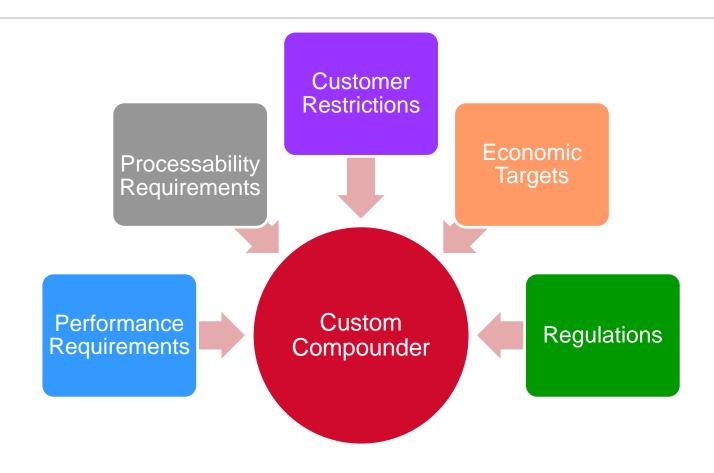






# **Compounding Inputs**

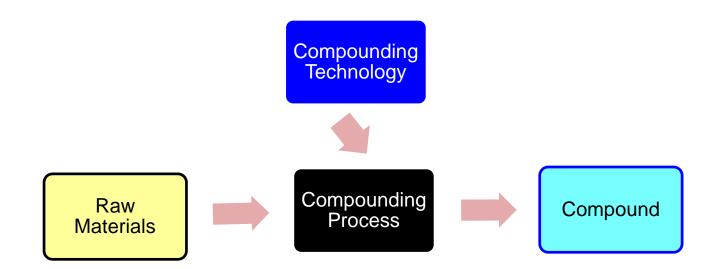






## **Compounding Process**







# Restrictions and Regulations



Customer Restrictions	Regulations		
Non-DEHP	CA Prop 65.		
Non-Phthalate	CPSIA		
Low VOC	RoHS		
BPA Free	EU REACH – no SVHC		
Latex Free	EU BPR		
Non-Animal Derived	EU MDR		



#### "Green" Product Line



# Biovinyl®

- First to market in 2012 with "green" product line of flexible PVC compounds based on bio-sourced plasticizers
- Required significant R&D to identify optimum formulations and viable application space - numerous challenges
- Limited success



#### "Green" Product Line



# Terraloy® Bioplastics for bio-content and compostability

- Starch based bioplastics
  - Limited commercial success due to cost situation with natural gas on PE and PP and Braskem biobased PE
- PLA based bioplastics
  - Higher heat PLA product
  - PLA product for 3D Printing



### **Conclusion**



Is the market ready for "green"?





# Thank You.

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We believe that technology that interconnects the world should also respect it



One of the largest cable manufacturers in North America

Copper and Optical Fiber Premises wire and cable products

Everywhere You Live and Work

Fiber & Copper Outside Plant (OSP) wire and cable products

**Smart Building Technology** 

















http://sustainability.superioressexcommunications.c

How is Superior Essex implementing Green Chemistry practices into our Organizatin?

1. The Market is Demanding It!

#### **2012 A+D LETTERS:**

A united request for greater transparency using available tools.

#### DISCLOSURE LETTERS ISSUED

As of Oct. 1, 2013, the following firms, listed alphabetically) had issued letters as part of the disclosure campaign:

**Beck Architecture** 

**Boora Architects** 

Cannon Design

**EHDD** 

**FXFOWLE** 

**GGLO** 

Harley Ellis Devereaux

HDR

**HKS** 

**KMD Architects** 

Lake | Flato Architects

Lord, Aeck & Sargent

Mahlum

Miller Hull

Perkins+Will

RTKL

SHW Group

Siegel & Strain Architects

**SmithGroupJJR** 

Solomon Cordwell Buenz

Architecture

Tsoi Kobus & Associates

Wight & Company

**WRNS Studio** 

Yost Grube Hall Architecture



## Materials Transparency-Communication Cables

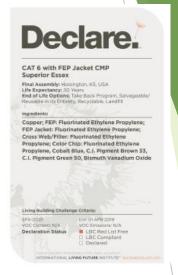


1 Living Product (2 Pending)





3 Red List Free Declare Labels



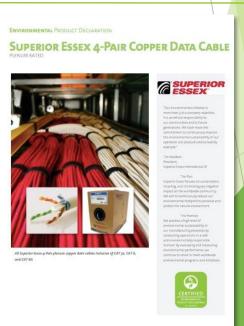


55+ HPDs



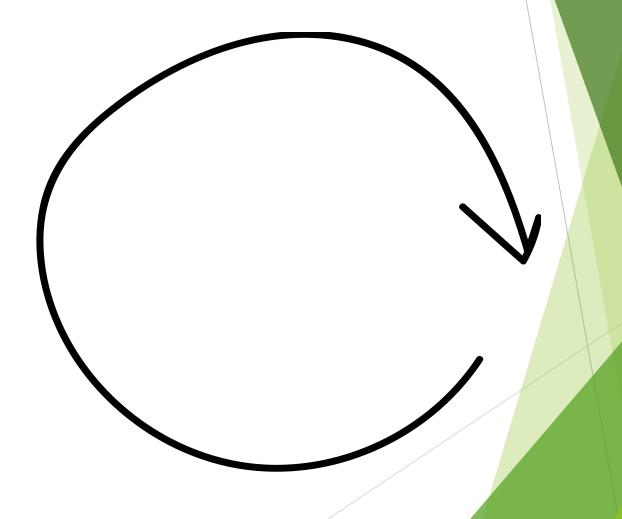


55+ EPDs





# CLOSING THE LOOP ON TRANSPARENCY



#### **THE LP**50



#### Mohawk Group





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Construction Specialties<sup>®</sup>





























































2. Life Cycle & Chemistry Considerations into our Product Development Process

#### DRAFT PRD Sustainability Process:

Step 1: Add Sustainability Check box on CQP Checklist/ MK003T

- EPD (informational only)
- HPD
- Red List Free
- Declare
- Living Product Challenge

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Sustainability Initiative:

- □ HPD
- □ Red List Free
- Declare
- Living Product Challenge

#### If HPD:

- · Need confirmation from suppliers to provide .1% information
- Do not need total disclosure for HPD
- Could settle for up to .1% in product if supplier won't confirm .1% in their material

#### If Red List Free, Declare, LPC:

- Need supplier to confirm commitment disclosure and the raw material is red list free to ILFI Red List 3.1.
- Must obtain disclosure to .01% in product
- Could settle for up to .01% in product supplier won't confirm .01% in their material

# PRD Process

# 3. Further Engagement with our Supply Chain



Supply Chain Engagement

# Information Collected & Data Managed in toxnot

- Compositional Chemistry of Raw Materials Supplied
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Hazardous Chemistry Assessment
- Development of Material Ingredient Reports
- Confirmation of REACH/ RoHS Compliance
- Prop 65 Compliance
- Etc....

### FEP Concerns....

- ► ToxServices recommends the following:
- If FEP copolymers were to be exempt from the Red List, it is imperative that ILFI mandate manufacture-specific disclosure and analytical testing to ensure the following:
  - Residual monomer levels must not exceed a specific level in the copolymer and the final material/product
  - Process chemicals used during the FEP copolymerization process should be fully disclosed and, if present, should be below a specified level in the FEP copolymer and the final material/product
    - Alternatively, the use of certain process chemicals (i.e., PFCs) should disqualify FEP from the exception, but a residual in final product could also be considered
    - ▶ If no PFCs or Red List surfactants/process chemicals are used in the production of the FEP, the FEP should need to undergo a material health review to obtain full disclosure of these surfactants, understand physical form and manufacturing processes, and hazard screening of constituents.

# Superior Essex's FEP Supply Chain Optimization

- Both suppliers for FEP have confirmed:
  - No Residual Monomers or below 100ppb
  - ▶ No processing agents on the red list utilized to manufacturer the product
  - Waiting on confirmation from suppliers to confirm there are no surfactants used within the FEP co-polymerization process and a better description of if they are used how they are distilled during the process
  - ▶ Will disclose their trade name, product IDs as well as manufacturing facilities
- Further Details and thoughts to consider:
  - ▶ If the end product w/ FEP had any impurities it would de-grade the di-electric properties of FEP—would not be valuable or useful, that's how we know they don't exist in the final product
  - As compared to flexible PVC alternative—there is significant migration of chemistries from PVC—much more than FEP

## Sustainable PVC

 Currently working in collaboration with other market leading manufacturers in the Carpet/flooring, Window, Siding and panel industries to establish to define manufacturing leadership in sustainable PVC products



### **THANK YOU!**

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