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Dear Customer

**Price Increases effective from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017**

We are writing to inform you that prices on many of the raw material that you purchase will be increasing on April 1<sup>st</sup> 2017. Whilst we continue to resist cost increases and minimise their impact as much as possible, on this occasion, we must pass them on.

Pressure has been growing over the last 6 months on the raw material supply to many of our manufacturers, resulting in price increases for the products they produce. Much of this is due to chemical plants around the world being in a state of Force Majeure which results in shortages of raw materials. On top of this increased demand from other markets, such as automotive, who pay more than sheet manufacturers for plastic resins, is resulting in shortages of raw materials and subsequently cost increases.

When combined with current currency issues and rising energy and transport costs, we are unable to absorb the impact any longer. Therefore, from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 the following products will increase in price: -

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| ABS                       | 15% |
| Acetal                    | 6%  |
| Acrylic                   | 6%  |
| Nylon 6 cast and extruded | 15% |
| Nylon 66                  | 15% |
| Nylon 12                  | 5%  |
| PC                        | 8%  |
| PE-300                    | 11% |
| PE-500                    | 6%  |
| PEI                       | 20% |
| PET / PETG                | 8%  |
| PP                        | 16% |
| PTFE                      | 30% |
| PVC                       | 8%  |
| PVDF                      | 6%  |

A varying uplift in freight charges for both domestic and international shipments will also be applied, this rate change will be advised through our sales department.

We would like to thank you for your continued support and we look forward to working closely with you over the forthcoming, unpredictable months, as both Europe and the global economy face up to the challenges ahead.

Yours Sincerely

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