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Re: 3M™ Window Films and VOC Regulations

To Whom It May Concern,

Thank you for inquiring about 3M™ Window Films and VOC Regulations. There are several different VOC regulations in effect in the United States today, some at the national level, and several at the state level. These regulations limit the amount of Volatile Organic Compounds that can be present in Consumer/Industrial products and Architectural and Industrial Maintenance coatings.

A Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) is defined as “a compound of carbon that combines with nitrogen oxides in the presence of sunlight to form ozone.” In order to attain National Ambient Air Quality Standards, as set forth by the EPA as part of the Clean Air Act of 1970, states have adopted VOC regulations to reduce the amount of Volatile Organic Compounds entering into the atmosphere that could react to form ozone. The most restrictive regulations come from the state of California and are promulgated by the California Air Resources Board (CARB), a branch of the CA EPA.

3M™ Window Films are currently not affected by VOC regulations. There is not a category defined to regulate products like Window Films at this time. The adhesive that is incorporated onto some of our window film is also exempt from VOC regulations. According to the CARB definition “Adhesive does not include products used on humans and animals, adhesive tape, contact paper, wall paper, shelf liners, or any other product with an adhesive incorporated onto or in an inert substrate.” Therefore, 3M™ window films are not subject to the requirements of VOC regulations at this time.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions.

Best Regards,

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