

STATEMENT

Industrial compostability testing program on **Grade 5917092 (92 g/m²)** according to EN 13432 (2000)

On November 4, 2015 a compostability testing program was initiated on Grade 5917092 with a grammage of 92 g/m², produced by Ahlstrom Specialties (Etablissement de Pont-Evêque Z.I. de L'Abbaye, 364 Impasse Louis Champin, 38780 Pont-Evêque, FRANCE), in line with the European norm EN 13432 *Requirements for packaging recoverable through composting and biodegradation - Test scheme and evaluation criteria for the final acceptance of packaging* (2000).

As a general conclusion it can be stated that test item Grade 5917092 (92 g/m²) does fulfill the evaluation criteria for material characteristics, biodegradation, disintegration and compost quality, which are outlined in the European norm EN 13432 *Requirements for packaging recoverable through composting and biodegradation - Test scheme and evaluation criteria for the final acceptance of packaging* (2000). Test item Grade 5917092 (92 g/m²) can concluded to be fully compostable in industrial processes.

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