FDA Jatropha Notification

To All Customers of P&G Chemicals Methyl Esters, Fatty Alcohols, Ethoxylates and Fatty Acids

The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recently issued a notice to industry concerning Glycerin produced from the Jatropha plant species. This particular species has become an attractive source of biodiesel oil because of its low cost, hardiness and high seed oil content. However, extracts from the plant can contain toxins, including phorbol esters, which naturally occur in the plant.

The FDA has therefore issued a notification to industry to be aware of this danger.

P&G Chemicals Methyl Esters, Fatty Alcohols, Ethoxylates and Fatty Acids are vegetable-based, derived from all vegetable oil feedstock (palm, palm kernel and/or coconut oils). P&G Chemicals wants to assure you that our Methyl Esters, Fatty Alcohols, Ethoxylates and Fatty Acids, are compliant with the recent FDA Notification to Industry issued July 6th, 2012 on the prevention of products using Glycerin derived from the Jatropha plant. None of P&G Chemicals supply chains for Methyl Esters, Fatty Alcohols, Ethoxylates and Fatty Acids brands are sourced from the Jatropha plant or any of its derivatives.

If you have any questions, please contact your P&G Chemicals account representative, or contact us via our website (www.pgchemicals.com).

We thank you for the continued opportunity to meet your needs. 

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2 FDA Notification to Industry, Products using oils, glycerin, or proteins that were derived from the Jatropha plant may have toxic effects, July 6, 2012.