COmité Technique de Recyclage des Emballages Plastiques

TECHNICAL NOTICE 04-04

APPLICANT: Heineken France

- Date of request: January 2004

DESCRIPTION OF PACKAGING:

- Brand name: Saint Omer
- Shape: round bottle, marking
- Colour. Dark green (initially brown, changed during examination)
- Volume: 1 L

MARKET:

- Consumption: home and away-from-home
- Outlet: Hypermarkets and supermarkets

MATERIALS:

- Body: 5-layer polyamide PET
- Cap: Polypropylene with EVOH seal
- Label: Paper (initially aluminium-coated, changed during examination)
- Glue: Synthetic liquid (aqueous)

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In the initial request, the bottle had different characteristics:

- Amber (brown) colour
- Aluminium-coated paper label

The Applicant took into account COTREP's recommendations as stated in General Notices FT 13 (behaviour of aluminium-coated paper label) and FT 20 (effect of a non-opacifying colouring master batch) and made changes to its packaging.

The packaging now has the same characteristics as the "33 EXPORT" bottle (Technical Notice 03-003).

The concentration in barrier material (polyamide) resulting from the packaging body in the French pool does not significantly modify the overall concentration observed in the coloured stream. This overall concentration does not currently disrupt the main recycling stream for coloured PET packaging available in Europe.

The paper label does not hinder recycling and is easily removed.

The components of the two-part closure system are easily separated by flotation and do not affect PET recycling.

The dark green packaging is easy to identify visually and will, therefore, be channelled in the French system into the coloured PET stream for recycling.

Paris, July 5th, 2005

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