INFORMATION FOR OUR CUSTOMERS –
concerning Corning Specialty Materials, Advanced Optics Status with respect to
the EU REACH Regulation and in particular to glass articles.

This letter responds to your request for information on Polarcor, related to the
European REACH Regulation.

Corning Specialty Materials, Advanced Optics considers the protection of the
environment, natural resources and health as one of its most important business tasks.
Corning Specialty Materials, Advanced Optics therefore devotes significant efforts
and resources to the development of clean and safe products and processes and
therefore concurs with the aim of the European Union’s Registration, Evaluation,
Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) Regulation (1907/2006/EC).

Your questions concern a glass product, which is considered an “Article” according to
the definition of the REACH Regulation. Articles are subject to Articles 7 and 33 of the
REACH Regulation. Glass products made by Corning Specialty Materials,
Advanced Optics do not contain substances that are intended to be released under
normal and foreseeable circumstances and are therefore not concerned by Article 7.1
of the REACH Regulation.

Concerning Article 7.2 of the REACH Regulation, which requires notification of
substances in products, if such substances are of high concern, exceed 0.1% (w/w)
and exceed 1 ton/year per importer or producer and Article 33.1 of the REACH
Regulation which requires a supplier to inform its customers if the article contains a
substance of very high concern (SVHC - substances potentially to be included in
Annex XIV), the following should be noted:

Glass is treated as a UVCB substance\(^1\) under REACH and is in principle exempted
from registration under the REACH Regulation (see Annex II of Commission
Regulation 987/2008 for Annex V exemption 11). Furthermore, glass is not classified
as a hazardous substance and it is unlikely ever to be listed on the list of substances of
high concern.

For any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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\(^1\) Substance of unknown or variable composition, complex reaction products or biological materials