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Phoenix Technologies energy-saving recycled PET pellet approved for direct food contact packaging

Phoenix Technologies has received a letter of non-objection from the FDA for up to 100% use of recycled PET pellets, called LNO™c, in direct food contact packaging. New patented technology for energy-saving processing of recycled PET flake into pellets has been developed by Phoenix Technologies International, LLC. Flake is ground internally to a near powder (Extra Small Particle Size) and compacted into an easy to handle pellet without the high energy consumption of melting.

The LNO™c conversion system is less capital intensive than conventional pelletizing systems which makes it feasible for smaller regional installations. It is also very mobile and supports the Phoenix Technologies quest to help plastic processors to “Collect local, convert local, and use local,” to improve sustainability costs through reduction in fuel intensive logistics.

The superior qualities of this recycled PET resin include content of less than 1ppm of Acetaldehyde, exceptional color in the finished package and high IV. LNO™c is especially effective for water bottle applications and thermoformed products such as bakery trays and cookie packs. LNO™c is also an excellent recycled material with proven functionality for non-food packaging where high performance is required.

LNO™c pellets are manufactured using 50% less energy for a much smaller carbon footprint than traditional recycled PET resins. In the conversion process, these pellets dry in a conventional PET dryer in minutes, compared to hours for conventional pellets allowing additional energy savings compared to current processing methods.

Through our mission of *Advancing the value of recycling through technology*, Phoenix Technologies International, LLC is a foremost producer of food-grade and bottle-grade recycled PET globally. For more information, contact Lori Carson at sales@phoenixtechnologies.com. ISO 9001:2000

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