



High Bake Adhesion Promoter - Waterborne for TPO

1 Scope

This specification covers the requirements for a high bake 121 °C (250 °F) waterborne (WB) adhesion promoter for Thermoplastic Polyolefin (TPO). The adhesion promoter may be conductive or nonconductive depending on the needs of the user.

1.1 Material Description. This adhesion promoter is part of a total product system and must meet requirements set forth in the specifications for other materials with which it is used. This specification shall be used in conjunction with the GMW14797, Approved Paint on Plastics Systems (APOPS), a section of GM Materials Approved Source List which lists approved substrate, cleaning, priming, and topcoat combinations.

1.2 Symbols. Not applicable.

1.3 Applicability. Adhesion promoters covered under this standard are typically applied to a GM approved TPO substrate and are used under an approved coating system.

1.4 Remarks. None.

2 References

Note: Only the latest approved standards are applicable unless otherwise specified.

2.1 External Standards/Specifications.

ASTM D3763 IATF 16949

2.2 GM Standards/Specifications.

9984801	GMW14270	GMW15919	GMW17105
GMW3005	GMW14797	GMW16745	GMW17405
GMW3059	GMW15777	GMW17065	

2.3 Additional References.

 None.

3 Requirements

3.1 Requirements on Test Specimens. A material submitted for qualification to this specification must meet the requirements of GMW17105. The supplier must clearly define the usage target in their submission letter.

3.1.1 Refer to GMW17105, Table 6 for qualification under topcoat. The film build condition variance identified in GMW17105, Table 2 shall be those of the adhesion promoter, and the bake condition variance shall be those of the topcoat as defined by GMW3005. Additionally, the requirements listed in 3.3 thru 3.6 of this document shall be met on all surfaces of the part or as designated by the applicable Product Engineering documents.

3.2 Surface Preparation. Power wash per 9984801 using an approved acidic cleaner. Any deviation must be approved by the Vehicle Systems (VS) Paint approving engineer.

3.3 Processing. For exterior grade parts, this adhesion promoter is processed using either of the following two methods. The method must be agreed upon with the approving engineer.

- The adhesion promoter is applied then baked prior to application of an approved topcoat system.
- The adhesion promoter is applied, flashed to dehydrate the film and co-baked with an approved topcoat system.

3.3.1 Film Build. Apply uniformly to achieve a film thicknesses of 5 µm, 10 µm, and 15 µm (0.2 mil, 0.4 mil, and 0.6 mil) of adhesion promoter, and agreed upon with the approving engineer.

3.3.2 Bake. The bake for the preceding two processes shall be as follows:

- a. Bake a minimum of 5 minutes at 121 °C (250 °F) part temperature. The adhesion promoter shall provide a smooth, adhesion promoting surface for application of subsequent approved General Motors topcoat system.
- b. After adhesion promoter application, flash a minimum of 5 minutes at 60 °C (140 °F) part temperature, then co-bake with a General Motors approved topcoat system whose bake is 121 °C (250 °F) or greater, per the approved bake chart for that topcoat system.

3.4 Appearance. Must meet the requirements of GMW15777 after topcoat. In addition, the adhesion promoter coating should be pigmented with a tracer or contrasting pigment to visibly ensure coverage is achieved. The composition of the pigment package and pigment to binder ratio must be documented.

3.5 Additional Performance Requirements.

3.5.1 Conductivity. If the adhesion promoter is conductive, conductivity of the coating film shall be determined and documented per GMW17065. Refer to GMW17105 for conductivity requirements.

3.5.2 Thermal Shock Test for Paint Adhesion. Perform Thermal Shock Paint Adhesion per GMW15919. No paint removal allowed.

3.5.3 Multiaxial Impact. Perform Multiaxial Impact per ASTM D3763 at 0 °C (32 °F) and 2.2 m/s. Run in triplicate. All failures must be ductile.

3.5.4 Water Jet. Perform Water Jet per GMW16745, Method B. Maximum paint removal of 60 mm² allowed.

3.6 Additional Requirements. Product approval is required under established guidelines outlined in IATF 16949. At product approval, the supplier is expected to have reviewed to GM's satisfaction specific documentation outlined in Advanced Product Quality Process (i.e., Design Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (DFMEA), Process Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (PFMEA), Key Product Characteristic (KPC), Key Control Characteristic (KCC), and Manufacturing Control Plans (MCP)).

3.7 All materials supplied to this standard must comply with GMW3059, **Restricted and Reportable Substances**, including the requirement to obtain a GM-approved International Material Data System (IMDS) submission.

4 Manufacturing Process

All shipments of material or parts under contract or purchase order manufactured to this specification shall be equivalent in every respect to the initial samples approved by engineering. There shall be no changes in either formulation or manufacturing processes permitted without prior notification and approval by engineering. Lack of notification by the supplier constitutes grounds for rejection of any shipment. While samples may be taken from incoming shipments and checked for conformance to this specification, the supplier shall accept the responsibility for incoming shipments meeting this specification without dependence upon purchaser's inspection. In addition, the supplier shall be responsible for submitting a Certificate of Analysis (COA) with each batch of material arriving at a plant.

5 Rules and Regulations

5.1 Legal Regulations. All materials must satisfy applicable laws, rules, regulations and recommendations valid in the country of usage.

5.2 Language. In the event of conflict between the English and domestic language, the English language shall take precedence.

5.3 Inspection and Rejection. Samples of components or materials released to a GM material specification shall be tested for conformity with the requirements of this material specification and approved by the responsible Engineering department prior to commencement of delivery of bulk supplies.

A new approval must be received for any changes, e.g., properties, manufacturing process, location of manufacture, etc. If not otherwise agreed, all testing and documentation normally required for initial release must be completed.

It is the responsibility of the supplier to inform the customer in a timely manner, without solicitation, and to include documentation of all modifications of materials and/or processes and to apply for a new release.