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(57) Abstract: Low-density, thermoplastic foams comprising: (a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate, wherein at least about 50% by volume of the cells are closed cells; and (b) at least HFO-1336mzz(Z) contained in said closed cells.

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FOAMABLE THERMOPLASTIC COMPOSITIONS, THERMOPLASTIC FOAMS AND METHODS OF MAKING SAME

CROSS REFERENCE

This application is related to and incorporates by reference each of: US Provisional Application 63/233,720, filed August 16, 2021; US Provisional Application 63/252,110, filed October 4, 2021; and US Provisional Application 63/278,497, filed November 12, 2021.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

This invention relates to foamable thermoplastic compositions, thermoplastic foams, foaming methods, and systems and articles made from same.

BACKGROUND

While foams are used in a wide variety of applications, developing a foam that has excellent performance properties and is cost-effective to produce is a desirable but difficult goal to achieve. It is even more difficult to achieve this goal while at the same time developing a foam that is environmentally friendly. Producing environmentally friendly foams is especially difficult because they comprise both a blowing agent component and a resin component forming the foam structure, and each of these components has an impact on foam performance and on environmental properties. Environmental considerations include not only the recyclability and sustainability of the polymeric resin that forms the structure of the foam but also the low environmental impact of blowing agents used to form the foam, such as the Global Warming Potential (GWP) and Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP) of the blowing agent. It is therefore a major challenge to develop a foam that simultaneously has excellent performance and can be produced cost-effectively from an environmentally friendly blowing agent and an environmentally friendly resin.

Foams based on certain thermoplastic resins, including polyester resins, have been investigated for potential advantage from the perspective of being recyclable and/or sustainably-sourced. However, difficulties have been encountered in connection with the development of such materials. For example, it has been a challenge to develop polyester resins that are truly recyclable, can be produced from sustainable sources, and which are compatible with blowing agents that are able, in combination with the thermoplastic, to produce foams with good performance properties. In many applications the performance properties that are considered highly desirable include the production of high-quality closed cell foams that are low density (and therefore have a low weight in use) and, at the same time, have relatively high mechanical integrity and strength.

With respect to the selection of thermoplastic resin, EP 3,231,836 acknowledges that while there has been interest in thermoplastic resins, in particularly polyester-based resins, this interest has encountered difficulty in development, including difficulty in identifying suitable foaming grades of such resins. Moreover, while EP 3,231,836 notes that certain polyethylene terephthalate (PET) resins, including recycled versions of PET, can be melt-extruded with a suitable physical and/or chemical blowing agent to yield closed-cell foams with the potential for low density and good mechanical properties, it is not disclosed that any such resins are at once able to produce foams with good environmental properties and good performance properties, and are also able to be formed from sustainable sources. The '836 application identifies several possible polyester resins to be used in the formation of open-celled foams, including polyethylene terephthalate, poly butylene terephthalate, poly cyclohexane terephthalate, polyethylene naphthalate, polyethylene furanoate or a mixture of two or more of these. While the use of polyester materials to make foams that have essentially no closed cells, as required by EP '836, may be beneficial for some applications, a disadvantage of such structures is that, in general, open cell foams will exhibit relatively poor mechanical strength properties.

While plastics based on 2,5-furandicarboxylic-acid-based polyester have been noted to have some potential advantages in certain applications, such as having good gas barrier properties, there has also been a recognition of substantial problems with forming foam materials from such plastic materials. For example, CN108410000 teaches that 2,5-furandicarboxylic-acid-based polyesters have foaming performance that is very poor and processing conditions that are extremely unfavorable. These problems are said to be addressed by using a glassy (i.e., amorphous) polymer sheet and then exposing the sheet to a special, relatively complex and cumbersome dual blowing agent process.

The process described in CN108410000 suffers from several disadvantages, including requiring an undesirably long processing time to produce the specialized, treated preform and the use of a relatively complicated dual blowing agent process. This process is also highly disadvantageous in that it is not readily adaptable for use in connection with currently used commercial extrusion equipment, thus having an undesirably high new capital cost requirement to implement.

CN 108484959 also recognizes that 2,5-furandicarboxylic-acid-based polyesters (such as PEF) have poor foamability and attempts to address this significant problem by forming a high melt viscosity polymer by blend-reacting 2,5-furandicarboxylic acid ethylene glycol ester with a multifunctional monomer selected from alcohols, esters, alkanes, carboxylic acids and

anhydrides. Foaming properties of this material are said to be improved relative to PEF, but no information on the foaming process is provided.

US 2020/0308363 and US 2020/0308396 each disclose the production of amorphous polyester copolymers that comprise starting with a recycled polyester, of which only PET is exemplified, as the main component and then proceeding through a series of processing steps to achieve an amorphous co-polymer, that is, as copolymer having no crystallinity. These publications indicate that it is not possible to readily form low density polyester foams from crystalline or semi-crystalline polymers and indicates that this problem can be solved by forming amorphous copolyester polymer material and using such amorphous material to form the foam. The synthesis of poly(ethylene furanoate) (PEF) using ethylene glycol and 2,5-furandicarboxylic acid is mentioned but is not exemplified. Essentially amorphous (i.e., no crystallinity as per 0 J/G ΔH before foaming) ternary copolymers formed from PET, polytrimethylene furanoate and polycarbonate are said to have been foamed using CO₂ as the blowing agent. No foam properties are disclosed. A wide variety of different classes of blowing agent are mentioned for use with amorphous polymers generally, including CO₂, HFO-1233zd, cyclopentane, acetone and methanol.

US 9790342 discloses foams formed from the polyphenolic tannin, which may be combined with a large number of possible monomers, and among the list of monomers is 2,5-furandicarboxylic acid. The foams are said to be partially open cell and partially closed cell, with open cell content being less than 50%. Numerous potential blowing agents are disclosed, including the halogenated olefin HFO-1336mmz.

With respect to blowing agents, the use generally of halogenated olefin blowing agents, including hydrofluoroolefins (HFOs) and hydrochlorofluoroolefins (HCFOs), for several specific thermoplastic foams is known, as disclosed for example in US 2009/0305876, which is assigned to the assignee of the present invention and which is incorporated herein by reference. While the '876 application discloses the use of HFO and HCFO blowing agents with various thermoplastic materials to form foams, including PET, there is no disclosure or suggestion to use any of such blowing agents with any other type of polyester resin.

Applicants have overcome the problem of forming a high performance foam that is also has favorable environmental features (i.e., high sustainability and low atmospheric impact) and in so doing have come to appreciate that these problems can be overcome and that one or more unexpected advantages can be achieved by the formation of thermoplastic foams, and in particular extruded thermoplastic foams, using a polyester resin as disclosed herein in combination with a blowing agent comprising one of more hydrohaloolefin as disclosed herein.

SUMMARY

As described above, a continuing need exists for polymeric materials, and particularly polymeric foams, that are sustainable and environmentally friendly, and simultaneously a
5 continuing need exists for such polymeric foams that at once are able to provide low density and high strength. Such a combination of properties is especially important in many applications which require a foam that has a low weight for a given volume (i.e., has low density) but are required to provide strength in use. One example of such a use is in connection with the construction of wind turbine blades, where both light weight and high strength are important,
10 and in such applications sustainability and environment friendliness are also both very important. As outlined above, for example, prior efforts to address this need have encountered a myriad of technical problems and deficiencies, and a fully acceptable solution has heretofore not been achieved.

The present invention satisfies one or more of the above noted needs and overcomes
15 prior technical problems and includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of at least 15%, wherein at least 25% of said cells are closed cells and wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 85% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer; and

20 (b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in the closed cells.

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 1A**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate
25 having a crystallinity of at least 15%, wherein at least 25% by volume of said cells are closed cells and wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 85% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer; and

(b) 1336mzz(Z) is contained in the closed cells.

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to
30 herein as **Foam 1B**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of at least 15%, wherein at least 15% by volume of said cells are closed

cells and wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 85% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer; and

(b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in the closed cells.

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 1C**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of at least 15%, wherein at least 15% by volume of said cells are closed cells and wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 85% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer; and

(b) gas in the closed cell, said gas comprising 1336mzz(Z).

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 1C**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of at least 15%, wherein at least 15% by volume of said cells are closed cells and wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 85% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer; and

(b) gas in the closed cell, said gas comprising at least about 25% by weight of 1336mzz(Z).

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 1D**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of at least 15%, wherein at least 15% by volume of said cells are closed cells and wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 85% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer; and

(b) gas in the closed cell, said gas comprising at least about 50% by weight of 1336mzz(Z).

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 1E**.

Reference will be made at various locations herein to a numbered foam (e.g., Foam 1) or to group of numbered foams that have been defined herein, and such reference means each of such numbered systems, including each system having a

number within the group, including any suffixed numbered system. For example, reference to Foam 1 includes a separate reference to each of Foams 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D and 1E, and reference to Foams 1 – 2 is understood to include a separate reference to each of Foams 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, 2E and 2F. Further, this
5 convention is used throughout the present specification for other defined materials, including Blowing Agents.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate wherein at least 25% of said cells are closed cells; and

10 (b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in the closed cells.

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 2A**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate
15 having a crystallinity of at least 15%, wherein at least 25% of said cells are closed cells and wherein said thermoplastic polymer contains no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an amount of less than 20% by weight; and

(b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in the closed cells.

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to
20 herein as **Foam 2B**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of at least 35%, wherein at least 50% of said cells are closed cells and wherein said thermoplastic polymer contains no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an
25 amount of less than 20% by weight; and

(b) gas in said closed cell, wherein said gas comprises 1336mzz(Z).

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 2C**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of at least 35%, wherein at least 50% of said cells are closed cells and wherein said thermoplastic polymer contains no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an
30 amount of less than 20% by weight; and

(b) gas in said closed cell, wherein said gas comprises from about 25% by weight to 100% by weight of 1336mzz(Z). For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 2D**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

5 (a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of at least 35%, wherein at least 50% of said cells are closed cells and wherein said thermoplastic polymer contains no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an amount of less than 20% by weight; and

10 (b) gas in said closed cell, wherein said gas comprises 1336mzz(Z) and at least one co-blowing agent. For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 2E**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

15 (a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of at least 35%, wherein at least 50% of said cells are closed cells and wherein said thermoplastic polymer contains no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an amount of less than 20% by weight; and

(b) gas in said closed cell, wherein said gas consists essentially of 1336mzz(Z). For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 2F**.

20 The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of at least 15% wherein at least about 50% by volume of the cells are closed cells and wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 85% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer and wherein said thermoplastic polymer contains no tannin
25 moieties or tannin moieties in an amount of less than 20% by weight; and

(b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in the closed cells.

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 3A**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

30 (a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate that has a crystallinity of at least 15% and a molecular weight of from about 25,000 to about 170,000, wherein at least about 25% by volume of the cells are closed cells and wherein said

thermoplastic polymer contains no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an amount of less than 20% by weight; and

(b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in the closed cells.

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 3B**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of at least 15% and a molecular weight of from about 80,000 to about 170,000, wherein at least about 25% by volume of the cells are closed cells and wherein said thermoplastic polymer contains no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an amount of less than 20% by weight; and

(b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in the closed cells.

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 3C**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of at least 25% and a molecular weight of from about 80,000 to about 170,000, wherein from about 35% by volume to about 90% by volume of the cells are closed cells and wherein said thermoplastic polymer contains no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an amount of less than 20% by weight; and

(b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in the closed cells.

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 3D**.

The present invention includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of from about 35% to about 65% and a molecular weight of from about 80,000 to about 170,000, wherein from about 35% by volume to about 90% by volume of the cells are closed cells and wherein said thermoplastic polymer contains no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an amount of less than 20% by weight; and

(b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in the closed cells.

For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 3E**.

The present invention includes low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate and wherein said polyethylene furanoate contains no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an amount of less than 20% by weight; and

5 (b) a blowing agent comprising 1336mzz(Z) contained in said closed cells, wherein said foam has a relative foam density (RFD) of about 0.1 or less and a foam density of less than 0.3 g/cc. For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 4A**.

The present invention includes low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

10 (a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender; and

(b) a blowing agent comprising 1336mzz(Z) contained in said closed cells, wherein said foam has an RFD of about 0.1 or less and a density of less than 0.3 g/cc. For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 4B**.

15 The present invention includes low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls forming closed cells, wherein said thermoplastic comprises polyethylene furanoate-based polymer having a crystallinity of at least about 15% and a molecular weight of greater than 25,000 and wherein said polyethylene furanoate contains no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an amount of less than 20%
20 by weight; and

(b) blowing agent contained in said closed cells, said blowing agent comprises 1336mzz(Z). For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 5A**.

The present invention includes low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

25 (a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls forming closed cells, wherein said thermoplastic comprises polyethylene furanoate-based polymer having a crystallinity of at least about 25% and a molecular weight of from about 25,000 to about 170,000 and wherein said polyethylene furanoate contains no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an amount of less than 20% by weight; and

30 (b) blowing agents contained in said closed cells, said blowing agent comprising 1336mzz(Z). For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 5B**.

The present invention includes low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate; and

(b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in said closed cells, wherein said foam has a density of less than 0.3 g/cc. For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 6A**.

The present invention includes closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cells walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate wherein at least about 50% by volume of the cells are closed cells; and

(b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in said closed cells. For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 6B**.

The present invention includes closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cells walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate wherein at least about 75% by volume of the cells are closed cells; and

(b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in said closed cells. For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 6C**.

The present invention includes closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cells walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate wherein at least about 90% by volume of the cells are closed cells; and

(b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in said closed cells. For the purposes of convenience, foams in accordance with this paragraph are referred to herein as **Foam 6D**.

The present invention also provides the foamable compositions, foaming methods and additional foams as described hereinafter.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING

Figure 1 is a schematic representation of an extrusion system and process according to one embodiment of the invention and according to the examples herein.

DEFINITIONS

1234ze means 1,1,1,3-tetrafluoropropene, without limitation as to isomeric form.

Trans1234ze and 1234ze(E) each means trans1,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropene.

Cis1234ze and 1234ze(Z) each means cis1,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropene.

1234yf means 2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropene.

1233zd means 1-chloro-3,3,3-trifluoropropene, without limitation as to isomeric form.

Trans1233zd and 1233zd(E) each means trans1-chloro-3,3,3-trifluoropropene.

1224yd means 1-chloro-2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropane, without limitation as to isomeric form.

cis1224yd and 1224yd(Z) means cis1-chloro-2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropane.

1336mzz means 1,1,1,4,4,4-hexafluorobutene, without limitation as to isomeric form.

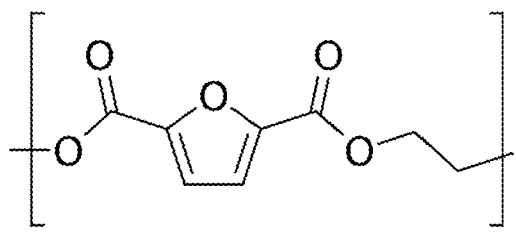
Trans1336mzz and 1336mzz(E) each means trans1,1,1,4,4,4-hexafluorobutene.

5 **Cis1336mzz and 1336mzz(Z)** each means cis1,1,1,4,4,4-hexafluorobutene.

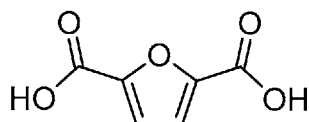
Closed cell foam means that a substantial volume percentage of the cells in the foam are closed, for example, about 20% by volume or more.

Crystallinity means the degree of crystallinity of a polymer measured by differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) according to ASTM D3418 and ASTM E1356.

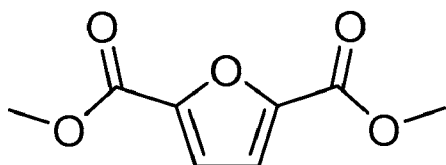
10 **Ethylene furanoate** moiety means the following structure:



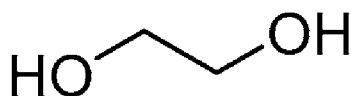
FDCA means 2,5-furandicarboxylic acid and has the following structure:



15 **FDME** means dimethyl 2,5-furandicarboxylate and has the following structure:



MEG means monoethylene glycol and has the following structure:



20 **Moiety** as used herein means a distinct repeating unit in a polymer. For clarity, a copolymer having two repeating units A and B present in a 1:1 ratio would have 50 molar % A moieties and 50 molar % of B moieties.

Other Moiety as used herein means a moiety that is not ethylene furanoate and not formed from tannin.

Methylal means dimethoxymethane ((CH₃O)₂CH₂).

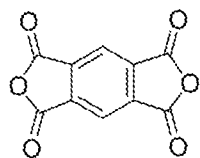
PEF homopolymer means a polymer consisting of ethylene furanoate moieties. For avoidance of doubt, the PEF homopolymer may include impurity levels of materials that may be present.

PEF copolymer means a polymer having at least 50% by weight of ethylene furanoate moieties and some amount a moiety other than ethylene furanoate moieties.

PEF means poly (ethylene furanoate) and encompasses and is intended to reflect a description of PEF homopolymer and PEF copolymer.

SSP means solid-state polymerization.

PMDA means pyromellitic dianhydride having the following structure:



Tannin moiety as used herein means a polymeric repeating unit corresponding to the tannin used to form the polymer, including as disclosed in US Patent No. 9,890,342.

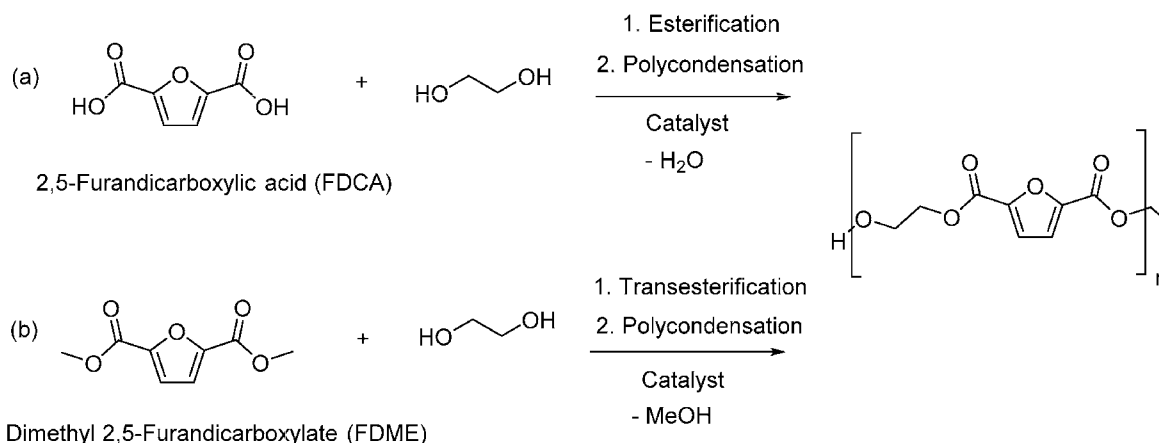
DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Poly (ethylene furanoate)

The present invention relates to foams and foam articles that comprise cell walls that comprise PEF.

The PEF which forms the cells walls of the foams and foam articles of the present invention can be PEF homopolymer or PEF copolymer.

PEF homopolymer is a known material that is known to be formed by either: (a) esterification and polycondensation of FDCA with MEG; or (b) transesterification and polycondensation of FDME with MEG as illustrated below for example:



A detailed description of such known esterification and polycondensation synthesis methods is provided in GB Patent 621971 (Drewitt, J. G. N., and Lincocln, J., entitled "Improvements in Polymers"), which is incorporated herein by reference. A detailed description of such known transesterification and polycondensation synthesis methods is provided in Gandini, A., Silvestre, A. J. D., Neto, C. P., Sousa, A. F., and Gomes, M. (2009), "The furan counterpart of poly(ethylene terephthalate): an alternative material based on renewable resources.", J. Polym. Sci. Polym. Chem. 47, 295–298. doi: 10.1002/pola.23130, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Foams

The foams of the present invention are formed from either PEF homopolymers, PEF copolymers, or a combination/mixture of these.

The foams may be formed in preferred embodiments from PEF homopolymer in which the polymer has at least 99.5% by weight, or at least 99.9% of by weight, of ethylene furanoate moieties.

It is contemplated that the foams may be formed in preferred embodiments from PEF copolymer in which the polymer, including PEF copolymer that has from about 60% to about 99% by weight of ethylene furanoate moieties, or from about 70% to about 99% by weight of ethylene furanoate moieties, or from about 85% to about 99% by weight of ethylene furanoate moieties, or from about 90% to about 99% by weight of ethylene furanoate moieties or from about 95% to about 99.5% by weight of ethylene furanoate moieties. The present invention also includes foams formed from PEF having less than 20% by weight of tannin moieties, or less than 15% by weight of tannin moieties, or less than 10% by weight of tannin moieties, or less than 5% by weight of tannin moieties, or is essentially free of tannin moieties.

For those embodiments of the present invention involving PEF copolymers, it is contemplated that those skilled in the art will be able, in view of the teachings contained herein, to select the type and amount of co-polymeric materials to be used within each of the ranges described herein to achieve the desired enhancement/modification of the polymer without undue experimentation.

For those embodiments of the present invention involving the use of PEF homopolymer or PEF copolymer, it is contemplated that such material may be formed with a wide variety of molecular weights and physical properties within the scope of the present invention. In preferred embodiments, the foams, including each of Foams 1 – 6, are formed from PEF having the ranges of characteristics identified in Table 1 below, which are measured as described in the Examples hereof:

TABLE 1

	Broad Range	Intermediate Range	Narrow Range
Polymer property			
Molecular weight	25,000 – 150,000	45,000 – 130,000	55,000 – 120,000
Glass Transition Temperature, T_g , °C	75 – 100	75 – 95	75 – 95
Melting Temperature, T_m , °C	180 – 250	190 – 240	200 – 230
Decomposition Temperature, T_d , °C	300 – 420	320 – 400	330 – 380
Crystallinity, %	25 – 75	30 – 60	40 – 50

In general, it is contemplated that those skilled in the art will be able to formulate PEF polymers within the range of properties described above without undue experimentation in view of the teachings contained herein. In preferred embodiments, however, PEF in general and PEF homopolymer in particular having these properties is achieved using one or more of the synthesis methods described above, in combination with a variety of known supplemental processing techniques, including by treatment with chain extenders, such as PMDA, and/or SSP processing. It is believed that in view of the disclosures contained herein, including the polymer synthesis described in the Examples below, a person skilled in the art will be able to produce PEF polymers within the range of characteristics described in the table above and elsewhere herein.

An example of the process for chain extension treatment of polyesters is provided in the article “Recycled poly(ethylene terephthalate) chain extension by a reactive extrusion process,” Firas Awaja, Fugen Daver, Edward Kosior, 16 August 2004, available at

<https://doi.org/10.1002/pen.20155>, which is incorporated herein by reference. As explained in US 1009/0264545, which is incorporated herein by reference, chain extenders generally are typically compounds that are at least di-functional with respect to reactive groups which can react with end groups or functional groups in the polyester to extend the length of the polymer chains. In certain cases, as disclosed herein, such a treatment can advantageously increase the average molecular weight of the polyester to improve its melt strength and/or other important properties. The degree of chain extension achieved is related, at least in part, to the structure and functionalities of the compounds used. Various compounds are useful as chain extenders. Non-limiting examples of chain extenders include trimellitic anhydride, pyromellitic dianhydride (PMDA), trimellitic acid, haloformyl derivatives thereof, or compounds containing multi-functional epoxy (e.g., glycidyl), or oxazoline functional groups. Nanocomposite material such as finely dispersed nanoclay may optionally be used for controlling viscosity. Commercial chain extenders include CESA-Extend from Clariant, Joncryl from BASF, or Lotader from Arkema. The amount of chain extender can vary depending on the type and molecular weight of the polyester components. The amount of chain extender used to treat the polymer can vary widely, and in preferred embodiments ranges from about 0.1 to about 5 wt. %, or preferably from about 0.1 to about 1.5 wt. %. Examples of chain extenders are also described in U.S. Pat. No. 4,219,527, which is incorporated herein by reference.

An example of the process for SSP processing of poly(ethylene furanoate) is provided in the article "Solid-State Polymerization of Poly(ethylene furanoate) Biobased Polyester, I: Effect of Catalyst Type on Molecular Weight Increase," Nejib Kasmi, Mustapha Majdoub, George Z. Papageorgiou, Dimitris S. Achilias, and Dimitrios N. Bikiaris, which is incorporated herein by reference.

The PEF thermoplastic polymers which are especially advantageous for making foamable compositions and foams of the present invention are identified in the following Thermoplastic Polymer Table (Table 2), wherein all numerical values in the table are understood to be preceded by the word "about."

TABLE 2 - THERMOPLASTIC POLYMER TABLE

Thermoplastic Polymer (TPP) Number	Ethylene furanoate moieties, wt%	Tannin moieties, wt%	Other moieties, wt%	MW, Kg/mol	Crystallinity, %
TPP1A	100	0	0	25 – 180	25 – 100
TPP1B	100	0	0	25 - 75	30 – 60
TPP1C	100	0	0	80 – 130	30 – 60
TPP1D	100	0	0	90 – 120	35 – 50

Thermoplastic Polymer (TPP) Number	Ethylene furanoate moieties, wt%	Tannin moieties, wt%	Other moieties, wt%	MW, Kg/mol	Crystallinity, %
TPP1E	100	0	0	90 – 110	35 – 45
TPP2A	85 to <100	>0 to < 15	0	25 – 180	25 – 100
TPP2B	85 to <100	>0 to < 15	0	25 – 75	30 – 60
TPP2C	85 to <100	>0 to < 15	0	80 – 130	30 – 60
TPP2D	85 to <100	>0 to < 15	0	90 – 120	35 – 50
TPP2E	85 to <100	>0 to < 15	0	90 – 110	35 – 45
TPP3A	5 to 95	0	5 to 95	25 – 180	25 – 100
TPP3B	5 to 95	0	5 to 95	25 – 75	30 – 60
TPP3C	5 to 95	0	5 to 95	80 – 130	30 – 60
TPP3D	5 to 95	0	5 to 95	90 – 120	35 – 50
TPP3E	5 to 95	0	5 to 95	90 – 110	35 – 45
TPP4A	5 to 95	>0 - < 15	5 to 95	25 – 180	25 – 100
TPP4B	5 to 95	>0 - < 15	5 to 95	25 – 75	30 – 60
TPP4C	5 to 95	>0 - < 15	5 to 95	80 – 130	30 – 60
TPP4D	5 to 95	>0 - < 15	5 to 95	90 – 120	35 – 50
TPP4E	5 to 95	>0 - < 15	5 to 95	90 – 110	35 – 45
TPP5A	10	0	90	25 – 180	25 – 100
TPP5B	10	0	90	25 – 75	30 – 60
TPP5C	10	0	90	80 – 130	30 – 60
TPP5D	10	0	90	90 – 120	35 – 50
TPP5E	10	0	90	90 – 110	35 – 45
TPP6A	90	0	10	25 – 180	25 – 100
TPP6B	90	0	10	25 – 75	30 – 60
TPP6C	90	0	10	80 – 130	30 – 60
TPP6D	90	0	10	90 – 120	35 – 50
TPP6E	90	0	10	90 – 110	35 – 45

For the purposes of definition of terms used herein, it is to be noted that reference will be made at various locations herein to the thermoplastic polymers identified in the first column in each of rows in the TPP table above, and reference to each of these numbers is a reference to a thermoplastic polymer as defined in the corresponding columns of that row. Reference to a group of TPPs that have been defined in the table above by reference to a TPP number means separately and

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individually each such numbered TPP, including each TPP having the indicated number, including any such number that has a suffix. So for example, reference to TPP1 is a separate and independent reference to TPP1A, TPP1B, TPP1C, TPP1D and TPP1E. Reference to TPP1 – TPP2 is a separate and independent reference to TPP1A, TPP1B, TPP1C, TPP1D, TTP1E, TPP2A, TPP2B, TPP2C, TPP1D and TTP1E. This use convention is used for the Foamable Composition Table and the Foam Table below as well.

Blowing Agent

As explained in detail herein, the present invention includes, but is not limited to, applicant's discovery that a select group of blowing agents are capable of providing foamable PEF foamable compositions and PEF foams having a difficult to achieve a surprising combination of physical properties, including low density as well as good mechanical strength properties.

The blowing agent used in accordance with of the present invention preferably comprises one or more hydrohaloolefins having three or four carbon atoms. For the purposes of convenience, a blowing agent in accordance with this paragraph is sometimes referred to herein as **Blowing Agent 1**.

The blowing agent used in accordance with of the present invention preferably comprises one or more of 1234ze, 1234yf, 1336mzz(Z), 1336mzz(E), 1233zd and 1224yd (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 2**); or comprises one or more of trans1234ze, 1336mzz(Z), 1336mzz(E), trans1233zd and cis1224yd (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 3**); or comprises one or more of trans1234ze, 1336mzz(Z), trans1233zd and cis1224yd (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 4**); or comprises one or more of trans1234ze and 1336mzz(Z) (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 5**); or comprises 1336mzz(Z) (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 6**); ; or comprises 1234yf (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 7**); or comprises 1224yd (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 8**); or comprises trans1233zd (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 9**).

It is thus contemplated that the blowing agent of the present invention, including each of Blowing Agents 1 – 9, can include, in addition to each of the above-identified blowing agent(s), co-blowing agent including in one or more of the optional potential co-blowing agents as described below. In preferred embodiments, the present foamable compositions, foams, and foaming methods include a blowing agent as described according described herein, wherein

the indicated blowing agent (including the compound or group of compound(s) specifically identified in each of Blowing Agent 1 – 9) is present in an amount, based upon the total weight of all blowing agent present, of at least about 50% by weight, or preferably at least about 60% by weight, preferably at least about 70% by weight, or preferably at least about 80% by weight, or preferably at least about 90% by weight, or preferably at least about 95% by weight, or preferably at least about 99% by weight, based on the total of all blowing agent components.

The blowing agent used in accordance with of the present invention also preferably consists essentially of one or more of 1234ze, 1234yf, 1336mzz(Z), 1233zd and 1224ydf (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 10**); or consists essentially of one or more of trans1234ze, 1336mzz(Z), trans1233zd and cis1224yd (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 11**); or consists essentially of one or more of trans1234ze, 1336mzz(Z), trans1233zd and cis1224yd (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 12**); or consists essentially of one or more of trans1234ze and 1336mzz(z) (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 13**); or consists essentially of trans1234ze (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 14**); or consists essentially of 1336mzz(Z) (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 15**); or consists essentially of 1336mzz (E) (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 16**); or consists essentially of 1234yf (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 17**); or consists essentially of 1224yd (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 18**); or consists essentially of trans1233zd (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 19**).

It is contemplated and understood that blowing agent of the present invention, including each of Blowing Agents 1 – 19, can include one or more co-blowing agents which are not included in the indicated selection, provided that such co-blowing agent in the amount used does not interfere with or negate the ability to achieve relatively low-density foams as described herein, including each of Foams 1 – 6, and preferably further does not interfere with or negate the ability to achieve foam with mechanical strengths properties as described herein. It is contemplated, therefore, that given the teachings contained herein a person of skill in the art will be able to select, by way of example, one or more of the following potential co-blowing agents for use with a particular application without undue experimentation: one or more saturated hydrocarbons or hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), particularly C4-C6 hydrocarbons or C1-C4 HFCs, that are known in the art. Examples of such HFC co-blowing agents include, but are not limited to, one or a combination of difluoromethane (HFC-32), fluoroethane (HFC-161), difluoroethane (HFC-152), trifluoroethane (HFC-143), tetrafluoroethane (HFC-134), pentafluoroethane (HFC-

125), pentafluoropropane (HFC-245), hexafluoropropane (HFC-236), heptafluoropropane (HFC-227ea), pentafluorobutane (HFC-365), hexafluorobutane (HFC-356) and all isomers of all such HFC's. With respect to hydrocarbons, the present blowing agent compositions also may include in certain preferred embodiments, for example, iso, normal and/or cyclopentane and butane
 5 and/or isobutane. Other materials, such as water, CO₂, CFCs (such as trichlorofluoromethane (CFC-11) and dichlorodifluoromethane (CFC-12)), hydrochlorocarbons (HCCs such as dichloroethylene (preferably trans-dichloroethylene), ethyl chloride and chloropropane), HCFCs, C1-C5 alcohols (such as, for example, ethanol and/or propanol and/or butanol), C1-C4 aldehydes, C1-C4 ketones, C1-C4 ethers (including ethers (such as dimethyl ether and diethyl
 10 ether), diethers (such as dimethoxy methane and diethoxy methane)), and methyl formate, organic acids (such as but not limited to formic acid), including combinations of any of these may be included, although such components are not necessarily preferred in many embodiments due to negative environmental impact.

The blowing agent used in accordance with of the present invention also preferably
 15 consists of one or more of 1234ze, 1234yf, 1336mzz(Z) , 1233zd and 1224ydf (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 20**); or consists of one or more of trans1234ze, 1336mzz(Z), trans1233zd and cis1224yd (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 21**); or consists of one or more of trans1234ze, trans1336mzz(Z), trans1233zd and cis1224yd (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 22**); or consists of one or
 20 more of trans1234ze and 1336mzz(Z) (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 23**); or consists of 1336mzz(Z) (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 24**); or consists of trans1336mzz(Z) and 1336mzz(E) (referred to hereinafter for convenience as **Blowing Agent 25**).

25 Foams and Foaming Process

The foams of the present invention may generally be formed from a foamable composition of the present invention. In general, the foamable compositions of the present invention may be formed by combining a PEF polymer with a blowing agent of the present invention, including each of Blowing Agents 1 – 25.

30 Foamable compositions that are included within the present invention, and which provide particular advantage in connection with forming the foams of the present invention, are described in the following Foamable Composition Table (Table 3), in which all numerical values in the table are understood to be preceded by the word “about” and in which the following terms used in the table have the following meanings:

CBAG1 means co-blowing agent selected from the group consisting of 1234ze(E), 1336mzz(E), , 1224yd(Z), 1233zd(E), 1234yf and combinations of two or more of these.

CBAG2 means co-blowing agent selected from the group consisting of water, CO₂, C1 – C6 hydrocarbons (HCs) HCFCs, C1 – C5 HFCs, C2 – C4 hydrohaloolefins, C1-C5 alcohols, C1-C4 aldehydes, C1-C4 ketones, C1-C4 ethers, C1 – C4 esters, organic acids and combinations of two or more of these.

CCBAG3 means co-blowing agent selected from the group consisting of water, CO₂, isobutane, n-butane, isopentane, cyclopentane, cyclohexane, trans-dichloroethylene, ethanol, propanol, butanol, acetone, dimethyl ether, diethyl ether, dimethoxy methane, diethoxy methane, methyl formate, difluoromethane (HFC-32), fluoroethane (HFC-161), 1,1-difluoroethane (HFC-152a), trifluoroethane (HFC-143), 1,1,1,2-tetrafluoroethane (HFC-134a), pentafluoroethane (HFC-125), pentafluoropropane (HFC-245), hexafluoropropane (HFC-236), heptafluoropropane (HFC-227ea), pentafluorobutane (HFC-365), hexafluorobutane (HFC-356), and combinations of any two or more of these.

NR means not required.

TABLE 3 - FOAMABLE COMPOSITION TABLE

Foamable Composition Number	Foamable Composition Components				
	Polymer, TPP No.	Blowing Agent(s) and Amounts, wt% of All Blowing Agents			
		Blowing Agent 1 (BA1)	Wt% BA1	Co Blowing Agent(s) (CB)	Wt% CB
FC1A1	TPP1A	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1B1	TPP1B	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1C1	TPP1C	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1D1	TPP1D	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1E1	TPP1E	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1A2	TPP2A	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1B2	TPP2B	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1C2	TPP2C	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1D2	TPP2D	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1E2	TPP2E	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1A3	TPP3A	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1B3	TPP3B	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1C3	TPP3C	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1D3	TPP3D	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0

Foamable Composition Number	Foamable Composition Components				
	Polymer, TPP No.	Blowing Agent(s) and Amounts, wt% of All Blowing Agents			
		Blowing Agent 1 (BA1)	Wt% BA1	Co Blowing Agent(s) (CB)	Wt% CB
FC1E3	TPP3E	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1A4	TPP4A	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1B4	TPP4B	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1C4	TPP4C	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1D4	TPP4D	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1E4	TPP4E	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1A5	TPP5A	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1B5	TPP5B	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1C5	TPP5C	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1D5	TPP5D	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1E5	TPP5E	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1A6	TPP6A	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1B6	TPP6B	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1C6	TPP6C	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1D6	TPP6D	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC1E6	TPP6E	1336mmz(Z)	100	NR	0
FC2A1	TPP1A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2B1	TPP1B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2C1	TPP1C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2D1	TPP1D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2E1	TPP1E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2A2	TPP2A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2B2	TPP2B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2C2	TPP2C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2D2	TPP2D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2E2	TPP2E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2A3	TPP3A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2B3	TPP3B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2C3	TPP3C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2D3	TPP3D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2E3	TPP3E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95

Foamable Composition Number	Foamable Composition Components				
	Polymer, TPP No.	Blowing Agent(s) and Amounts, wt% of All Blowing Agents			
		Blowing Agent 1 (BA1)	Wt% BA1	Co Blowing Agent(s) (CB)	Wt% CB
FC2A4	TPP4A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2B4	TPP4B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2C4	TPP4C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2D4	TPP4D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2E4	TPP4E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2A5	TPP5A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2B5	TPP5B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2C5	TPP5C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2D5	TPP5D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2E5	TPP5E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2A6	TPP6A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2B6	TPP6B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2C6	TPP6C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2D6	TPP6D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC2E6	TPP6E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG1	5 - 95
FC3A1	TPP1A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3B1	TPP1B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3C1	TPP1C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3D1	TPP1D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3E1	TPP1E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3A2	TPP2A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3B2	TPP2B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3C2	TPP2C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3D2	TPP2D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3E2	TPP2E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3A3	TPP3A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3B3	TPP3B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3C3	TPP3C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3D3	TPP3D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3E3	TPP3E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3A4	TPP4A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95

Foamable Composition Number	Foamable Composition Components				
	Polymer, TPP No.	Blowing Agent(s) and Amounts, wt% of All Blowing Agents			
		Blowing Agent 1 (BA1)	Wt% BA1	Co Blowing Agent(s) (CB)	Wt% CB
FC3B4	TPP4B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3C4	TPP4C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3D4	TPP4D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3E4	TPP4E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3A5	TPP5A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3B5	TPP5B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3C5	TPP5C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3D5	TPP5D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3E5	TPP5E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3A6	TPP6A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3B6	TPP6B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3C6	TPP6C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3D6	TPP6D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC3E6	TPP6E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG2	5 - 95
FC4A1	TPP1A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4B1	TPP1B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4C1	TPP1C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4D1	TPP1D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4E1	TPP1E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4A2	TPP2A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4B2	TPP2B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4C2	TPP2C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4D2	TPP2D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4E2	TPP2E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4A3	TPP3A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4B3	TPP3B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4C3	TPP3C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4D3	TPP3D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4E3	TPP3E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4A4	TPP4A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4B4	TPP4B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95

Foamable Composition Number	Foamable Composition Components				
	Polymer, TPP No.	Blowing Agent(s) and Amounts, wt% of All Blowing Agents			
		Blowing Agent 1 (BA1)	Wt% BA1	Co Blowing Agent(s) (CB)	Wt% CB
FC4C4	TPP4C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4D4	TPP4D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4E4	TPP4E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4A5	TPP5A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4B5	TPP5B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4C5	TPP5C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4D5	TPP5D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4E5	TPP5E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4A6	TPP6A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4B6	TPP6B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4C6	TPP6C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4D6	TPP6D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC4E6	TPP6E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	CBAG3	5 - 95
FC5A1	TPP1A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5B1	TPP1B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5C1	TPP1C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5D1	TPP1D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5E1	TPP1E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5A2	TPP2A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5B2	TPP2B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5C2	TPP2C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5D2	TPP2D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5E2	TPP2E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5A3	TPP3A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5B3	TPP3B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5C3	TPP3C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5D3	TPP3D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5E3	TPP3E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5A4	TPP4A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5B4	TPP4B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5C4	TPP4C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95

Foamable Composition Number	Foamable Composition Components				
	Polymer, TPP No.	Blowing Agent(s) and Amounts, wt% of All Blowing Agents			
		Blowing Agent 1 (BA1)	Wt% BA1	Co Blowing Agent(s) (CB)	Wt% CB
FC5D4	TPP4D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5E4	TPP4E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5A5	TPP5A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5B5	TPP5B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5C5	TPP5C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5D5	TPP5D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5E5	TPP5E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5A6	TPP6A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5B6	TPP6B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5C6	TPP6C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5D6	TPP6D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC5E6	TPP6E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	isopentane	5 - 95
FC6A1	TPP1A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6B1	TPP1B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6C1	TPP1C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6D1	TPP1D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6E1	TPP1E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6A2	TPP2A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6B2	TPP2B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6C2	TPP2C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6D2	TPP2D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6E2	TPP2E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6A3	TPP3A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6B3	TPP3B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6C3	TPP3C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6D3	TPP3D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6E3	TPP3E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6A4	TPP4A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6B4	TPP4B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6C4	TPP4C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95

Foamable Composition Number	Foamable Composition Components				
	Polymer, TPP No.	Blowing Agent(s) and Amounts, wt% of All Blowing Agents			
		Blowing Agent 1 (BA1)	Wt% BA1	Co Blowing Agent(s) (CB)	Wt% CB
FC6D4	TPP4D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6E4	TPP4E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6A5	TPP5A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6B5	TPP5B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6C5	TPP5C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6D5	TPP5D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6E5	TPP5E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6A6	TPP6A	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6B6	TPP6B	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6C6	TPP6C	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6D6	TPP6D	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95
FC6E6	TPP6E	1336mmz(Z)	5 - 95	1234ze(E)	5 - 95

Foam Forming Methods

It is contemplated that any one or more of a variety of known techniques for forming a thermoplastic foam can be used in view of the disclosures contained herein to form a foam of the present invention, including each of Foams 1 – 6 and each of foams F1 – F6, and all such techniques and all foams formed thereby or within the broad scope of the present invention. For clarity, it will be noted that definition of the foams in the Table below all begin with only the letter F, in contrast to the foams defined by the paragraphs in the summary above, which begin with the capitalized word Foam.

In general, the forming step involves first introducing into a PEF polymer of the present invention, including each of TPP1 – TPP6, a blowing agent of the present invention, including each of Blowing Agents 1 – 31, to form a foamable PEF composition comprising PEF and blowing agent. One example of a preferred method for forming a foamable PEF composition of the present invention is to plasticize the PEF, preferably comprising heating the PEF to its melt temperature, preferably above its melt temperature, and thereafter exposing the PEF melt to the blowing agent under

conditions effective to incorporate (preferably by solubilizing) the desired amount of blowing agent into the polymer melt.

In preferred embodiments, the foaming methods of the present invention comprising providing a foamable composition of the present invention, including each of FC1 – FC6 and foaming the provided foamable composition. In preferred
5 embodiments, the foaming methods of the present invention comprising providing a foamable composition of the present invention, including each of FC1 – FC6, and extruding the provided foamable composition to form a foam of the present invention, including each of Foams 1 – 6 and each of foams F1 – F6.

10 Foaming processes of the present invention can include batch, semi-batch, continuous processes, and combinations of two or more of these. Batch processes generally involve preparation of at least one portion of the foamable polymer composition, including each of FC1 – FC6, in a storable state and then using that portion of foamable polymer composition at some future point in time to prepare a foam.
15 Semi-batch process involves preparing at least a portion of a foamable polymer composition, including each of FC1 – FC6, and intermittently expanding that foamable polymer composition into a foam including each of Foams 1 – 6 and each of foams F1 – F6, all in a single process. For example, U.S. Pat. No. 4,323,528, herein incorporated by reference, discloses a process for making thermoplastic foams via an accumulating
20 extrusion process. The present invention thus includes processes that comprises: 1) mixing PEF thermoplastic polymer, including each of TPP1 – TPP6, and a blowing agent of the present invention, including each of Blowing Agents 1 – 31, under conditions to form a foamable PEF composition; 2) extruding the foamable PEF composition, including each of FC1 – FC6, into a holding zone maintained at a
25 temperature and pressure which does not allow the foamable composition to foam, where the holding zone preferably comprises a die defining an orifice opening into a zone of lower pressure at which the foamable polymer composition, including each of FC1 – FC6, foams and an openable gate closing the die orifice; 3) periodically opening the gate while substantially concurrently applying mechanical pressure by means of a
30 movable ram on the foamable polymer composition, including each of FC1 – FC6, to eject it from the holding zone through the die orifice into the zone of lower pressure, and

4) allowing the ejected foamable polymer composition to expand, under the influence of the blowing agent, to form the foam, including each of Foams 1 – 6 and each of foams F1 – F6.

The present invention also can use continuous processes for forming the foam.

5 By way of example such a continuous process involves forming a foamable PEF composition, including each of FC1 – FC6, and then expanding that foamable PEF composition without substantial interruption. For example, a foamable PEF composition, including each of FC1 – FC6, may be prepared in an extruder by heating the selected PEF polymer resin, including each of TPP1 – TPP6, to form a PEF melt, incorporating
10 into the PEF melt a blowing agent of the present invention, including each of Blowing Agents 1 – 31, preferably by solubilizing the blowing agent into the PEF melt, at an initial pressure to form a foamable PEF composition comprising a substantially homogeneous combination of PEF and blowing agent, including each of FC1 – FC6, and then extruding that foamable PEF composition through a die into a zone at a
15 selected foaming pressure and allowing the foamable PEF composition to expand into a foam, including each of foams Foams 1 – 6 and each of foams F1 – F6 described below, under the influence of the blowing agent. Optionally, the foamable PEF composition which comprises the PEF polymer, including each of FC1 – FC6, and the incorporated blowing agent, including each of Blowing Agents 1 – 31, may be cooled
20 prior to extruding the composition through the die to enhance certain desired properties of the resulting foam, including each of Foams 1 – 6 and each of foams F1 – F6.

The methods can be carried out, by way of example, using extrusion equipment of the general type disclosed in Figure 1. In particular, the extrusion apparatus can include a raw material feed hopper 10 for holding the PEF polymer 15 of the present
25 invention, including each of TPP1 – TPP6, and one or more optional components (which may be added with the PEF in the hopper or optionally elsewhere in the process depending on the particular needs of the user). The feed materials 15, excluding the blowing agent, can be charged to the hopper and delivered to the screw extruder 10. The extruder 20 can include thermocouples (not shown) located at three points along
30 the length thereof and a pressure sensor (not shown) at the discharge end 20A of the extruder. A mixer section 30 can be located at the discharge end 20A of the extruder

for receiving blowing agent components of the present invention, including each of Blowing Agents 1 – 31, via one or more metering pumps 40A and 40B and mixing those blowing agents into the PEF melt in the mixer section. Sensors (not shown) can be included for monitoring the temperature and pressure of the mixer section 30. The mixer section 30 can then discharge the foamable composition melt of the present invention, including each of FC1 – FC6, into a pair of melt coolers 50 oriented in series, with temperature sensors (not shown) located in each cooler to monitor the melt temperature. The melt is then extruded through a die 60, which also had temperature and pressure sensors (not shown) for monitoring the pressure and temperature at the die. The die pressure and temperature can be varied, according to the needs of each particular extrusion application to produce a foam 70 of the present invention, including each of including each of Foams 1 – 6 and each of foams F1 – F6 described below. The foam can then be carried away from the extrusion equipment by a conveyor belt 80.

The foamable polymer compositions of the present invention, including each of FC1 – FC6, may optionally contain additional additives such as nucleating agents, cell-controlling agents, glass and carbon fibers, dyes, pigments, fillers, antioxidants, extrusion aids, stabilizing agents, antistatic agents, fire retardants, IR attenuating agents and thermally insulating additives. Nucleating agents include, among others, materials such as talc, calcium carbonate, sodium benzoate, and chemical blowing agents such azodicarbonamide or sodium bicarbonate and citric acid. IR attenuating agents and thermally insulating additives can include carbon black, graphite, silicon dioxide, metal flake or powder, among others. Flame retardants can include, among others, brominated materials such as hexabromocyclodecane and polybrominated biphenyl ether. Each of the above-noted additional optional additives can be introduced into the foam at various times and that various locations in the process according to known techniques, and all such additives and methods of addition or within the broad scope of the present invention.

Foams

In preferred embodiments, the foams of the present invention are formed in a commercial extrusion apparatus and have the properties as indicated in the

following Table 4, with the values being measured as described in the Examples hereof:

TABLE 4

	Broad Range	First Intermediate Range	Second Intermediate Range	First Narrow Range	Second Narrow Range
Foam property					
Foam density, g/cc (ISO 845)	0.05 – .16	.06 – 0.14	.06 – 0.14	0.06 – 0.11	0.06 – 0.11
Compressive Strength (perpendicular to the plane) (ISO 844), Mpa	0.5 – 2.5	0.6 – 1.5	0.9 – 2.3	0.6 – 1.1	0.9 – 1.7
Tensile strength perpendicular to the plane (ASTM C297), Mpa	1.0 – 6.2	1.2 – 3.7	1.8 – 5.6	1.2 – 3.1	1.8 – 4.7
Average Cell Size, (SEM)	10 – 200	20 – 150	20 – 150	20 - 100	20 - 100

- 5 Foams that are included within the present invention and which provide particular advantage are described in the following Table 5, and in which all numerical values in the table are understood to be preceded by the word “about” and in which the designation NR means “not required.”

TABLE 5 – FOAM TABLE

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F1A1A	FC1A1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1B1A	FC1B1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1C1A	FC1C1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1D1A	FC1D1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1E1A	FC1E1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1A2A	FC1A2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1B2A	FC1B2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1C2A	FC1C2	>25	NR	NR	NR

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F1D2A	FC1D2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1E2A	FC1E2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1A3A	FC1A3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1B3A	FC1B3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1C3A	FC1C3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1D3A	FC1D3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1E3A	FC1E3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1A4A	FC1A4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1B4A	FC1B4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1C4A	FC1C4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1D4A	FC1D4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1E4A	FC1E4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1A5A	FC1A5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1B5A	FC1B5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1C5A	FC1C5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1D5A	FC1D5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1E5A	FC1E5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1A6A	FC1A6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1B6A	FC1B6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1C6A	FC1C6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1D6A	FC1D6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1E6A	FC1E6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2A1A	FC2A1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2B1A	FC2B1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2C1A	FC2C1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2D1A	FC2D1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2E1A	FC2E1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2A2A	FC2A2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2B2A	FC2B2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2C2A	FC2C2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2D2A	FC2D2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2E2A	FC2E2	>25	NR	NR	NR

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F2A3A	FC2A3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2B3A	FC2B3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2C3A	FC2C3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2D3A	FC2D3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2E3A	FC2E3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2A4A	FC2A4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2B4A	FC2B4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2C4A	FC2C4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2D4A	FC2D4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2E4A	FC2E4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2A5A	FC2A5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2B5A	FC2B5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2C5A	FC2C5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2D5A	FC2D5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2E5A	FC2E5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2A6A	FC2A6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2B6A	FC2B6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2C6A	FC2C6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2D6A	FC2D6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F2E6A	FC2E6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3A1A	FC3A1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3B1A	FC3B1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3C1A	FC3C1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3D1A	FC3D1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3E1A	FC3E1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3A2A	FC3A2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3B2A	FC3B2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3C2A	FC3C2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3D2A	FC3D2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3E2A	FC3E2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3A3A	FC3A3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3B3A	FC3B3	>25	NR	NR	NR

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F3C3A	FC3C3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3D3A	FC3D3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3E3A	FC3E3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3A4A	FC3A4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3B4A	FC3B4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3C4A	FC3C4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3D4A	FC3D4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3E4A	FC3E4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3A5A	FC3A5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3B5A	FC3B5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3C5A	FC3C5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3D5A	FC3D5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3E5A	FC3E5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3A6A	FC3A6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3B6A	FC3B6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3C6A	FC3C6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3D6A	FC3D6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F3E6A	FC3E6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4A1A	FC4A1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4B1A	FC4B1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4C1A	FC4C1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4D1A	FC4D1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4E1A	FC4E1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4A2A	FC4A2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4B2A	FC4B2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4C2A	FC4C2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4D2A	FC4D2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4E2A	FC4E2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4A3A	FC4A3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4B3A	FC4B3	>25	NR	NR	NR
FC4C3A	FC4C3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4D3A	FC4D3	>25	NR	NR	NR

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F4E3A	FC4E3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4A4A	FC4A4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4B4A	FC4B4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4C4A	FC4C4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4D4A	FC4D4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4E4A	FC4E4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4A5A	FC4A5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4B5A	FC4B5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4C5A	FC4C5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4D5A	FC4D5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4E5A	FC4E5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4A6A	FC4A6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4B6A	FC4B6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4C6A	FC4C6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4D6A	FC4D6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F4E6A	FC4E6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5A1A	FC5A1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5B1A	FC5B1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5C1A	FC5C1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5D1A	FC5D1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5E1A	FC5E1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5A2A	FC5A2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5B2A	FC5B2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5C2A	FC5C2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5D2A	FC5D2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5E2A	FC5E2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5A3A	FC5A3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5B3A	FC5B3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5C3A	FC5C3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5D3A	FC5D3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5E3A	FC5E3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5A4A	FC5A4	>25	NR	NR	NR

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F5B4A	FC5B4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5C4A	FC5C4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5D4A	FC5D4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5E4A	FC5E4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5A5A	FC5A5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5B5A	FC5B5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5C5A	FC5C5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5D5A	FC5D5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5E5A	FC5E5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5A6A	FC5A6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5B6A	FC5B6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5C6A	FC5C6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5D6A	FC5D6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F5E6A	FC5E6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6A1A	FC6A1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6B1A	FC6B1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6C1A	FC6C1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6D1A	FC6D1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6E1A	FC6E1	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6A2A	FC6A2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6B2A	FC6B2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6C2A	FC6C2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6D2A	FC6D2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6E2A	FC6E2	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6A3A	FC6A3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6B3A	FC6B3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6C3A	FC6C3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6D3A	FC6D3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6E3A	FC6E3	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6B4A	FC6B4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6C4A	FC6C4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6D4A	FC6D4	>25	NR	NR	NR

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F6E4A	FC6E4	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6A5A	FC6A5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6B5A	FC6B5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6C5A	FC6C5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6D5A	FC6D5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6E5A	FC6E5	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6A6A	FC6A6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6B6A	FC6B6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6C6A	FC6C6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6D6A	FC6D6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F6E6A	FC6E6	>25	NR	NR	NR
F1A1B	FC1A1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1B1B	FC1B1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1C1B	FC1C1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1D1B	FC1D1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1E1B	FC1E1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1A2B	FC1A2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1B2B	FC1B2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1C2B	FC1C2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1D2B	FC1D2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1E2B	FC1E2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1A3B	FC1A3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1B3B	FC1B3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1C3B	FC1C3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1D3B	FC1D3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1E3B	FC1E3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1A4B	FC1A4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1B4B	FC1B4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1C4B	FC1C4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1D4B	FC1D4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1E4B	FC1E4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1A5B	FC1A5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F1B5B	FC1B5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1C5B	FC1C5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1D5B	FC1D5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1E5B	FC1E5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1A6B	FC1A6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1B6B	FC1B6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1C6B	FC1C6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1D6B	FC1D6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1E6B	FC1E6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2A1B	FC2A1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2B1B	FC2B1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2C1B	FC2C1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2D1B	FC2D1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2E1B	FC2E1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2A2B	FC2A2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2B2B	FC2B2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2C2B	FC2C2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2D2B	FC2D2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2E2B	FC2E2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2A3B	FC2A3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2B3B	FC2B3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2C3B	FC2C3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2D3B	FC2D3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2E3B	FC2E3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2A4B	FC2A4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2B4B	FC2B4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2C4B	FC2C4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2D4B	FC2D4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2E4B	FC2E4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2A5B	FC2A5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2B5B	FC2B5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2C5B	FC2C5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR

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		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F2D5B	FC2D5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2E5B	FC2E5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2A6B	FC2A6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2B6B	FC2B6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2C6B	FC2C6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2D6B	FC2D6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F2E6B	FC2E6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3A1B	FC3A1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3B1B	FC3B1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3C1B	FC3C1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3D1B	FC3D1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3E1B	FC3E1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3A2B	FC3A2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3B2B	FC3B2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3C2B	FC3C2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3D2B	FC3D2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3E2B	FC3E2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3A3B	FC3A3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3B3B	FC3B3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3C3B	FC3C3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3D3B	FC3D3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3E3B	FC3E3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3A4B	FC3A4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3B4B	FC3B4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3C4B	FC3C4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3D4B	FC3D4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3E4B	FC3E4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3A5B	FC3A5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3B5B	FC3B5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3C5B	FC3C5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3D5B	FC3D5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3E5B	FC3E5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR

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		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F3A6B	FC3A6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3B6B	FC3B6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3C6B	FC3C6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3D6B	FC3D6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F3E6B	FC3E6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4A1B	FC4A1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4B1B	FC4B1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4C1B	FC4C1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4D1B	FC4D1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4E1B	FC4E1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4A2B	FC4A2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4B2B	FC4B2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4C2B	FC4C2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4D2B	FC4D2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4E2B	FC4E2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4A3B	FC4A3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4B3B	FC4B3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4C3B	FC4C3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4D3B	FC4D3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4E3B	FC4E3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4A4B	FC4A4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4B4B	FC4B4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4C4B	FC4C4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4D4B	FC4D4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4E4B	FC4E4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4A5B	FC4A5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4B5B	FC4B5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4C5B	FC4C5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4D5B	FC4D5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4E5B	FC4E5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4A6B	FC4A6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4B6B	FC4B6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR

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		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F4C6B	FC4C6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4D6B	FC4D6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F4E6B	FC4E6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5A1B	FC5A1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5B1B	FC5B1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5C1B	FC5C1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5D1B	FC5D1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5E1B	FC5E1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5A2B	FC5A2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5B2B	FC5B2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5C2B	FC5C2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5D2B	FC5D2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5E2B	FC5E2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5A3B	FC5A3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5B3B	FC5B3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5C3B	FC5C3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5D3B	FC5D3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5E3B	FC5E3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5A4B	FC5A4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5B4B	FC5B4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5C4B	FC5C4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5D4B	FC5D4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5E4B	FC5E4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5A5B	FC5A5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5B5B	FC5B5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5C5B	FC5C5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5D5B	FC5D5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5E5B	FC5E5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5A6B	FC5A6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5B6B	FC5B6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5C6B	FC5C6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F5D6B	FC5D6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR

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		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F5E6B	FC5E6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6A1B	FC6A1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6B1B	FC6B1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6C1B	FC6C1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6D1B	FC6D1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6E1B	FC6E1	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6A2B	FC6A2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6B2B	FC6B2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6C2B	FC6C2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6D2B	FC6D2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6E2B	FC6E2	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6A3B	FC6A3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6B3B	FC6B3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6C3B	FC6C3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6D3B	FC6D3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6E3B	FC6E3	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6B4B	FC6B4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6C4B	FC6C4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6D4B	FC6D4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6E4B	FC6E4	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6A5B	FC6A5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6B5B	FC6B5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6C5B	FC6C5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6D5B	FC6D5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6E5B	FC6E5	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6A6B	FC6A6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6B6B	FC6B6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6C6B	FC6C6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6D6B	FC6D6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F6E6B	FC6E6	NR	<0.16	NR	NR
F1A1C	FC1A1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1B1C	FC1B1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR

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		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F1C1C	FC1C1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1D1C	FC1D1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1E1C	FC1E1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1A2C	FC1A2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1B2C	FC1B2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1C2C	FC1C2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1D2C	FC1D2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1E2C	FC1E2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1A3C	FC1A3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1B3C	FC1B3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1C3C	FC1C3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1D3C	FC1D3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1E3C	FC1E3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1A4C	FC1A4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1B4C	FC1B4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1C4C	FC1C4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1D4C	FC1D4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1E4C	FC1E4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1A5C	FC1A5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1B5C	FC1B5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1C5C	FC1C5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1D5C	FC1D5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1E5C	FC1E5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1A6C	FC1A6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1B6C	FC1B6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1C6C	FC1C6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1D6C	FC1D6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1E6C	FC1E6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2A1C	FC2A1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2B1C	FC2B1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2C1C	FC2C1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2D1C	FC2D1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR

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		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F2E1C	FC2E1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2A2C	FC2A2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2B2C	FC2B2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2C2C	FC2C2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2D2C	FC2D2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2E2C	FC2E2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2A3C	FC2A3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2B3C	FC2B3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2C3C	FC2C3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2D3C	FC2D3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2E3C	FC2E3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2A4C	FC2A4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2B4C	FC2B4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2C4C	FC2C4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2D4C	FC2D4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2E4C	FC2E4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2A5C	FC2A5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2B5C	FC2B5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2C5C	FC2C5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2D5C	FC2D5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2E5C	FC2E5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2A6C	FC2A6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2B6C	FC2B6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2C6C	FC2C6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2D6C	FC2D6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F2E6C	FC2E6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3A1C	FC3A1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3B1C	FC3B1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3C1C	FC3C1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3D1C	FC3D1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3E1C	FC3E1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3A2C	FC3A2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR

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		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F3B2C	FC3B2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3C2C	FC3C2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3D2C	FC3D2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3E2C	FC3E2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3A3C	FC3A3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3B3C	FC3B3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3C3C	FC3C3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3D3C	FC3D3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3E3C	FC3E3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3A4C	FC3A4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3B4C	FC3B4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3C4C	FC3C4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3D4C	FC3D4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3E4C	FC3E4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3A5C	FC3A5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3B5C	FC3B5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3C5C	FC3C5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3D5C	FC3D5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3E5C	FC3E5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3A6C	FC3A6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3B6C	FC3B6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3C6C	FC3C6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3D6C	FC3D6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F3E6C	FC3E6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4A1C	FC4A1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4B1C	FC4B1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4C1C	FC4C1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4D1C	FC4D1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4E1C	FC4E1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4A2C	FC4A2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4B2C	FC4B2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4C2C	FC4C2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR

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F4D2C	FC4D2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4E2C	FC4E2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4A3C	FC4A3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4B3C	FC4B3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4C3C	FC4C3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4D3C	FC4D3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4E3C	FC4E3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4A4C	FC4A4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4B4C	FC4B4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4C4C	FC4C4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4D4C	FC4D4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4E4C	FC4E4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4A5C	FC4A5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4B5C	FC4B5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4C5C	FC4C5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4D5C	FC4D5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4E5C	FC4E5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4A6C	FC4A6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4B6C	FC4B6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4C6C	FC4C6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4D6C	FC4D6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F4E6C	FC4E6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5A1C	FC5A1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5B1C	FC5B1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5C1C	FC5C1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5D1C	FC5D1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5E1C	FC5E1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5A2C	FC5A2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5B2C	FC5B2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5C2C	FC5C2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5D2C	FC5D2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5E2C	FC5E2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR

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		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F5A3C	FC5A3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5B3C	FC5B3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5C3C	FC5C3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5D3C	FC5D3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5E3C	FC5E3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5A4C	FC5A4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5B4C	FC5B4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5C4C	FC5C4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5D4C	FC5D4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5E4C	FC5E4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5A5C	FC5A5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5B5C	FC5B5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5C5C	FC5C5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5D5C	FC5D5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5E5C	FC5E5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5A6C	FC5A6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5B6C	FC5B6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5C6C	FC5C6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5D6C	FC5D6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F5E6C	FC5E6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6A1C	FC6A1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6B1C	FC6B1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6C1C	FC6C1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6D1C	FC6D1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6E1C	FC6E1	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6A2C	FC6A2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6B2C	FC6B2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6C2C	FC6C2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6D2C	FC6D2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6E2C	FC6E2	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6A3C	FC6A3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6B3C	FC6B3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR

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F6C3C	FC6C3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6D3C	FC6D3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6E3C	FC6E3	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6B4C	FC6B4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6C4C	FC6C4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6D4C	FC6D4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6E4C	FC6E4	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6A5C	FC6A5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6B5C	FC6B5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6C5C	FC6C5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6D5C	FC6D5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6E5C	FC6E5	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6A6C	FC6A6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6B6C	FC6B6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6C6C	FC6C6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6D6C	FC6D6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F6E6C	FC6E6	NR	0.05 - 0.16	NR	NR
F1A1D	FC1A1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1B1D	FC1B1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1C1D	FC1C1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1D1D	FC1D1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1E1D	FC1E1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1A2D	FC1A2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1B2D	FC1B2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1C2D	FC1C2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1D2D	FC1D2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1E2D	FC1E2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1A3D	FC1A3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1B3D	FC1B3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1C3D	FC1C3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1D3D	FC1D3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1E3D	FC1E3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2

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F1A4D	FC1A4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1B4D	FC1B4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1C4D	FC1C4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1D4D	FC1D4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1E4D	FC1E4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1A5D	FC1A5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1B5D	FC1B5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1C5D	FC1C5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1D5D	FC1D5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1E5D	FC1E5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1A6D	FC1A6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1B6D	FC1B6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1C6D	FC1C6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1D6D	FC1D6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1E6D	FC1E6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2A1D	FC2A1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2B1D	FC2B1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2C1D	FC2C1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2D1D	FC2D1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2E1D	FC2E1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2A2D	FC2A2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2B2D	FC2B2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2C2D	FC2C2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2D2D	FC2D2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2E2D	FC2E2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2A3D	FC2A3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2B3D	FC2B3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2C3D	FC2C3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2D3D	FC2D3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2E3D	FC2E3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2A4D	FC2A4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2B4D	FC2B4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2

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F2C4D	FC2C4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2D4D	FC2D4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2E4D	FC2E4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2A5D	FC2A5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2B5D	FC2B5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2C5D	FC2C5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2D5D	FC2D5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2E5D	FC2E5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2A6D	FC2A6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2B6D	FC2B6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2C6D	FC2C6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2D6D	FC2D6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2E6D	FC2E6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3A1D	FC3A1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3B1D	FC3B1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3C1D	FC3C1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3D1D	FC3D1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3E1D	FC3E1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3A2D	FC3A2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3B2D	FC3B2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3C2D	FC3C2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3D2D	FC3D2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3E2D	FC3E2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3A3D	FC3A3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3B3D	FC3B3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3C3D	FC3C3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3D3D	FC3D3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3E3D	FC3E3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3A4D	FC3A4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3B4D	FC3B4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3C4D	FC3C4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3D4D	FC3D4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2

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F3E4D	FC3E4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3A5D	FC3A5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3B5D	FC3B5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3C5D	FC3C5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3D5D	FC3D5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3E5D	FC3E5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3A6D	FC3A6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3B6D	FC3B6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3C6D	FC3C6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3D6D	FC3D6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3E6D	FC3E6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4A1D	FC4A1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4B1D	FC4B1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4C1D	FC4C1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4D1D	FC4D1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4E1D	FC4E1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4A2D	FC4A2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4B2D	FC4B2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4C2D	FC4C2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4D2D	FC4D2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4E2D	FC4E2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4A3D	FC4A3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4B3D	FC4B3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
FC4C3D	FC4C3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4D3D	FC4D3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4E3D	FC4E3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4A4D	FC4A4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4B4D	FC4B4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4C4D	FC4C4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4D4D	FC4D4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4E4D	FC4E4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4A5D	FC4A5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2

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F4B5D	FC4B5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4C5D	FC4C5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4D5D	FC4D5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4E5D	FC4E5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4A6D	FC4A6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4B6D	FC4B6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4C6D	FC4C6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4D6D	FC4D6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4E6D	FC4E6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5A1D	FC5A1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5B1D	FC5B1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5C1D	FC5C1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5D1D	FC5D1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5E1D	FC5E1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5A2D	FC5A2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5B2D	FC5B2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5C2D	FC5C2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5D2D	FC5D2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5E2D	FC5E2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5A3D	FC5A3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5B3D	FC5B3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5C3D	FC5C3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5D3D	FC5D3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5E3D	FC5E3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5A4D	FC5A4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5B4D	FC5B4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5C4D	FC5C4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5D4D	FC5D4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5E4D	FC5E4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5A5D	FC5A5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5B5D	FC5B5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5C5D	FC5C5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2

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F5D5D	FC5D5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5E5D	FC5E5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5A6D	FC5A6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5B6D	FC5B6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5C6D	FC5C6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5D6D	FC5D6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5E6D	FC5E6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6A1D	FC6A1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6B1D	FC6B1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6C1D	FC6C1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6D1D	FC6D1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6E1D	FC6E1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6A2D	FC6A2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6B2D	FC6B2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6C2D	FC6C2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6D2D	FC6D2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6E2D	FC6E2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6A3D	FC6A3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6B3D	FC6B3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6C3D	FC6C3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6D3D	FC6D3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6E3D	FC6E3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6B4D	FC6B4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6C4D	FC6C4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6D4D	FC6D4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6E4D	FC6E4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6A5D	FC6A5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6B5D	FC6B5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6C5D	FC6C5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6D5D	FC6D5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6E5D	FC6E5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6A6D	FC6A6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F6B6D	FC6B6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6C6D	FC6C6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6D6D	FC6D6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6E6D	FC6E6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1A1E	FC1A1	>25%	0.05 – 0.1	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1B1E	FC1B1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1C1E	FC1C1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1D1E	FC1D1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1E1E	FC1E1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1A2E	FC1A2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1B2E	FC1B2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1C2E	FC1C2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1D2E	FC1D2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1E2E	FC1E2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1A3E	FC1A3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1B3E	FC1B3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1C3E	FC1C3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1D3E	FC1D3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1E3E	FC1E3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1A4E	FC1A4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1B4E	FC1B4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1C4E	FC1C4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1D4E	FC1D4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1E4E	FC1E4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1A5E	FC1A5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1B5E	FC1B5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1C5E	FC1C5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1D5E	FC1D5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1E5E	FC1E5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1A6E	FC1A6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1B6E	FC1B6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1C6E	FC1C6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F1D6E	FC1D6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F1E6E	FC1E6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2A1E	FC2A1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2B1E	FC2B1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2C1E	FC2C1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2D1E	FC2D1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2E1E	FC2E1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2A2E	FC2A2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2B2E	FC2B2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2C2E	FC2C2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2D2E	FC2D2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2E2E	FC2E2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2A3E	FC2A3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2B3E	FC2B3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2C3E	FC2C3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2D3E	FC2D3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2E3E	FC2E3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2A4E	FC2A4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2B4E	FC2B4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2C4E	FC2C4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2D4E	FC2D4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2E4E	FC2E4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2A5E	FC2A5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2B5E	FC2B5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2C5E	FC2C5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2D5E	FC2D5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2E5E	FC2E5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2A6E	FC2A6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2B6E	FC2B6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2C6E	FC2C6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2D6E	FC2D6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F2E6E	FC2E6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F3A1E	FC3A1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3B1E	FC3B1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3C1E	FC3C1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3D1E	FC3D1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3E1E	FC3E1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3A2E	FC3A2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3B2E	FC3B2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3C2E	FC3C2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3D2E	FC3D2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3E2E	FC3E2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3A3E	FC3A3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3B3E	FC3B3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3C3E	FC3C3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3D3E	FC3D3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3E3E	FC3E3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3A4E	FC3A4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3B4E	FC3B4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3C4E	FC3C4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3D4E	FC3D4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3E4E	FC3E4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3A5E	FC3A5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3B5E	FC3B5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3C5E	FC3C5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3D5E	FC3D5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3E5E	FC3E5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3A6E	FC3A6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3B6E	FC3B6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3C6E	FC3C6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3D6E	FC3D6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F3E6E	FC3E6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4A1E	FC4A1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4B1E	FC4B1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F4C1E	FC4C1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4D1E	FC4D1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4E1E	FC4E1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4A2E	FC4A2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4B2E	FC4B2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4C2E	FC4C2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4D2E	FC4D2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4E2E	FC4E2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4A3E	FC4A3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4B3E	FC4B3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4C3E	FC4C3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4D3E	FC4D3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4E3E	FC4E3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4A4E	FC4A4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4B4E	FC4B4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4C4E	FC4C4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4D4E	FC4D4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4E4E	FC4E4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4A5E	FC4A5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4B5E	FC4B5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4C5E	FC4C5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4D5E	FC4D5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4E5E	FC4E5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4A6E	FC4A6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4B6E	FC4B6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4C6E	FC4C6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4D6E	FC4D6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F4E6E	FC4E6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5A1E	FC5A1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5B1E	FC5B1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5C1E	FC5C1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5D1E	FC5D1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F5E1E	FC5E1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5A2E	FC5A2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5B2E	FC5B2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5C2E	FC5C2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5D2E	FC5D2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5E2E	FC5E2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5A3E	FC5A3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5B3E	FC5B3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5C3E	FC5C3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5D3E	FC5D3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5E3E	FC5E3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5A4E	FC5A4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5B4E	FC5B4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5C4E	FC5C4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5D4E	FC5D4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5E4E	FC5E4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5A5E	FC5A5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5B5B	FC5E5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5C5E	FC5C5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5D5E	FC5D5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5E5E	FC5E5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5A6E	FC5A6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5B6E	FC5B6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5C6E	FC5C6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5D6E	FC5D6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F5E6E	FC5E6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6A1E	FC6A1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6B1E	FC6B1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6C1E	FC6C1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6D1E	FC6D1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6E1E	FC6E1	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6A2E	FC6A2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2

Foam Number	Foamable Composition, No.	Foam Properties			
		% Closed Cell	Density, g/cc ³	Compressive Strength, (ISO 844), megapascal	Tensile Strength, ((ASTM C297), megapascal
F6B2E	FC6E2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6C2E	FC6C2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6D2E	FC6D2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6E2E	FC6E2	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6A3E	FC6A3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6B3E	FC6B3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6C3E	FC6C3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6D3E	FC6D3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6E3E	FC6E3	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6A4E	FC6A4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6B4E	FC6B4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6C4E	FC6C4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6D4E	FC6D4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6E4E	FC6E4	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6A5E	FC6A5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6B5E	FC6B5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6C5E	FC6C5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6D5E	FC6D5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6E5E	FC6E5	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6A6E	FC6A6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6B6E	FC6B6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6C6E	FC6C6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6D6E	FC6D6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2
F6E6E	FC6E6	NR	NR	0.6 – 2.5	1.0 – 6.2

The foams of the present invention have wide utility. The present foams, including each of Foams 1 – 6 and foams F1 – F6, have unexpected advantage in applications requiring low density and/or good compression and/or tensile and/or shear properties, and/or long-term stability, and/or sustainable sourcing, and/or being made from recycled material and being recyclable. In particular, the present foams, including each of Foams 1 – 6 and each of foams F1 – F6, have unexpected advantage in: wind energy applications (wind turbine blades (shear webs, shells, cores, and nacelles); marine applications (hulls, decks, superstructures,

bulkheads, stringers, and interiors); industrial low weight applications; automotive and transport applications (interior and exterior of cars, trucks, trains, aircraft, and spacecraft).

EXAMPLES

Example 1 – PEF PREPARATION AT MW 114,000 WITH PMDA CHAIN EXTENDER AND SSP

A bio-based polyethylene furanoate homopolymer was prepared by esterification and polycondensation of 2,5-furandicarboxylic acid with mono ethylene glycol according to known methods to produce PEF homopolymer, which is then treated according to techniques corresponding to the techniques described in detail in Examples 47, 49 and 51 below, with the chain extender PMDA at 0.6% by weight and then subject to solid state polymerization according to known techniques to produce a PEF homopolymer. The PEF polymer was tested and found to have the following characteristics¹:

Molecular Weight – 114,000

Density (g/cc) – 1.43

Glass Transition Temperature - 86°C

Melt Temperature - 214°C

Decomposition Temperature – 347°C

Crystallinity - 46%

The PEF polymer so produced is referred to in these Examples as PEX1.

Example 1B – CLOSED CELL PEF FOAMS FROM PEX1 OVER A RANGE OF RELATIVE DENSITIES AND BLOWING AGENTS

The present invention includes the advantages formation of PEF foams having a high volume percentage of closed cells over a range of relative foam densities (RFDs) and using a range of blowing agents. Although applicant is not bound by any theory of operation, it is believed that one or more of the advantageous foam properties of the present invention arise, at least in part, as a result of the ability to form foams with high closed cell content. In particular,

¹ Molecular weight as determined and referenced herein refers to molecular weight determination by diffusion ordered nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy (DOSY NMR) as per the description contained in "Application of 1H DOSY NMR in Measurement of Polystyrene Molecular Weights," VNU Journal of Science: Natural Sciences and Technology, Vol. 36, No. 2 (2020) 16-21 June 2020, Nam et al., with final fitting performed by two functions:

$\log D = \alpha \log M + \log A$ (as per Grubb's Group, Macromolecules 2012, 45, 9595–9603) $R^2=0.977$ and $\log D = \alpha \log M + \beta [\log (M)]^2 + A$ ($R^2=0.998$) with a final fit of the data as follows: $\alpha: 0.4816276533$; $\beta: -0.064669629A: -21.74524435$. Decomposition temperature was determined by thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) based on ASTM E1131. Density of the polymer was measured in accordance with ASTM D71). The remaining properties, including crystallinity, were determined in accordance ASTM D3418 and ASTM E1356.

the following Table E1B illustrates the volume percent closed cells for several foams made by applicant:

TABLE E1B – FOAM CLOSED CELL CONTENT

FOAM COMPONENTS		FOAM PROPERTIES		DETAILED EXAMPLE
Polymer	Blowing Agent	RFD	Volume % Closed Cells*	
PEX1	1243ze(E)	0.078	91	Example 4B
PEX1	1243ze(E)	0.036	92	Example 6
PEX1	1336mzz(Z)	0.14	76	Example 26B
PEX1	1336mzz(Z)	0.13	67	Example 26B
PEX1	1233zd(E)	0.15	46	
PEX1	isopentane	0.13	40	Example C2

*Volume % closed cells is determined herein by ASTM D6226.

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Comparative Example 1 – PEF FOAM PREPARATION USING PEX1 AND CO₂ AS BLOWING AGENT

1 gram of PEX1 in a glass container was loaded into a 60 cc autoclave and then dried for under vacuum for six (6) hours at 130°C. The dried polymer was then cooled to room temperature and placed in a glass container inside an autoclave. About 0.25 moles (11 grams) of CO₂ blowing agent was then pumped into the autoclave containing the dried polymer, and then the autoclave was heated to bring the polymer to a melt state at a temperature of about 240°C and a pressure above about 610 psig. The polymer/CO₂ blowing agent was maintained in this melt state for about 1 hour and the temperature and pressure of the melt/blowing agent was then reduced over a period of about 5 – 15 minutes to about 190°C and 610 psig (hereinafter referred to for convenience as pre-foaming temperature and pre-foaming pressure, respectively), and then maintained at about this temperature and pressure for a period of about 30 minutes to allow the amount of blowing agent incorporated into the melt under such conditions to reach equilibrium. The temperature and pressure in the autoclave were then reduced rapidly (over a period of about 10 seconds for the pressure reduction and about 1 – 10 minutes for the temperature reduction using chilled water)) to ambient conditions (approximately 22°C and 1 atmosphere) and foaming occurred. The foam thus produced was tested to determine the following properties:

• compressive strength ("CS") (measured perpendicular to the plane (that was in direct contact with the blowing agent) in accordance with ISO 844)

• compressive modulus ("CM") (measure perpendicular to the plane (that was in direct contact with the blowing agent) in accordance with ISO 844)

- tensile strength ("TS") (measured perpendicular to the plane (that was in direct contact with the blowing agent) in accordance with ASTM C297)
- tensile modulus ("TM") (measured perpendicular to the plane (that was in direct contact with the blowing agent) in accordance with ASTM C297)
- relative foam density ("RFD").

As used herein, RFD is the density of the foam produced divided by the density of the starting polymer. Density is measured in these Examples using a method which corresponds generally to ASTM D71, except that hexane is used for displacement instead of water.

The foam produced in this Comparative Example 1 was tested and found to have the properties as reported in Table C1 below:

TABLE C1

RFD	0.25
TS, Megapascal (Mpa)	0.74
CS, Mpa	0.5
TM, Mpa	32
CM, Mpa	8

As reported above, the foam made using CO₂ under the reported conditions had an RFD of 0.25, that is, a density that was only 25% of the density of the starting polymer. This is a foam density that is too high for many important applications.

Examples 2 - 4 - PEF FOAM PREPARATION USING PEX1 trans-1233zd and cis1336mzz as BLOWING AGENT

Comparative Example 1 was repeated, except the CO₂ blowing agent was replaced in separate runs with each of trans-1233zd and cis1336mzz, and with run conditions adjusted to achieve a similar RFD for each foam. The foams thus produced were observed to be good, high-quality foams, and were then tested and found to have the properties reported in Table E2-4 below:

TABLE E2-4

Ex	Blowing Agent	RFD	Avg. Cell Size, μm	RELATIVE MECHANICAL PROPERTIES*			
				RTS	RCS	RTM	RCM

2	trans-1233zd	0.1	108	1	1	1	1
3	cis-1336mzz	0.11	177	5.87	0.78	6.5	1.2
4	cis-1336mzz	0.14	169	6.7	4.64	9.4	4.67
	AVG.	0.13	173	6.3	2.71	7.95	2.9

*-For convenience and unless otherwise indicated in these Examples, the comparative strength and modulus results in the Examples hereof are reported based on trans-1233zd as the base-line value of 1 and are identified as RTS, RCS, RTM and RCM.

- 5 As can be seen from the results reported in Table E2-4 the use of 1336mzz(Z) blowing agent, with a PEF polymer that had no tannin moieties present, produced a foam that had a dramatically and unexpectedly improved density compared to the foam made with CO₂, that is, the density of the foam produced with 1336mzz(Z) resulted in density value that is, on average, about 2 times less than (about half of) the density of the CO₂ blown foam. Furthermore the use
- 10 of the 1336mzz(Z) also unexpectedly produced a foam that was dramatically superior to even the other HFO blowing agent foams tested in this example in terms of both tensile and compressive strength. For example, the foam blown with 1336mzz(Z) had, on average, was about 6.3 times better in tensile strength and was about a 2.7 times better compressive strength than the 1233zd foam.

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Examples 5 - 9 –PEF FOAM PREPARATION USING PEF WITH MW OF 25,000 – 125,000

- Comparative Example 1 is repeated, except that the conditions and materials are altered as indicted below in Table E5 through Table E9, using blowing agents shown in the table on a molar equivalent (i.e., within 15%) basis (with all values understood to be “about” the indicated value).
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TABLE E5

Example	Thermoplastic Properties*		Blowing Agent	Foam Properties**			
	WT% PEF	MW		RFD	Strength	Modulus	Vol% Closed Cells
5A	85	25,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	50
5B	85	25,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	75

5C	85	25,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	90
5D	85	25,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	100

* WT% PEF moieties in the polymer

** A - acceptable

TABLE E6

Example	Thermoplastic Properties		Blowing Agent	Foam Properties**			
	WT% PEF*	MW		RFD	Strength	Modulus	Vol% Closed Cells
6A	85	50,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	50
6B	85	50,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	75
6C	85	50,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	90
6D	85	50,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	100

* WT% PEF moieties in the polymer

** A - acceptable

TABLE E7

Example	Thermoplastic Properties		Blowing Agent	Foam Properties**			
	WT% PEF*	MW		RFD	Strength	Modulus	Vol% Closed Cells
7A	85	75,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	50
7B	85	75,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	50
7C	85	75,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	75
7D	85	75,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	90

* WT% PEF moieties in the polymer

** A - acceptable

TABLE E8

Example	Thermoplastic Properties		Blowing Agent	Foam Properties**			
	WT% PEF*	MW		RFD	Strength	Modulus	Vol% Closed Cells
8A	85	100,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	50
8B	85	100,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	75
8C	85	100,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	90

8D	85	100,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	100
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* WT% PEF moieties in the polymer

** A - acceptable

TABLE E9

Example	Thermoplastic Properties		Blowing Agent	Foam Properties**			
	WT% PEF*	MW		RFD	Strength	Modulus	Vol% Closed Cells
9A	85	125,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	50
9B	85	125,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	75
9C	85	125,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	90
9D	85	125,000	1336mzz(Z)	<0.2	A	A	100

In each case in Tables E5 – E9 above, the thermoplastic polymer used to make the foam had characteristics (measured in accordance with same procedures as identified above in Comparative Example 1) within the ranges indicated below:

Glass Transition Temperature – 75 - 95°C

Melt Temperature – 190 - 240°C

Decomposition Temperature – 320 - 400°C

Crystallinity – 30 - 60%

All foams thus produced according to these examples are observed to be foams of acceptable quality.

Comparative Example 2 – PEF FOAM PREPARATION USING PEX1 AND HFC-134a AS BLOWING AGENT

1 gram of PEX1 in a glass container was loaded into an autoclave and then dried for under vacuum for six (6) hours at 130°C. The dried polymer was then cooled to room temperature and placed in a glass container inside an autoclave. About 0.25 moles (25.3 grams) of R-134a blowing agent was then pumped into the autoclave containing the dried polymer, and then the autoclave was heated to bring the polymer to a melt state at a temperature of about 240°C and a pressure above about 570 psig. The polymer/R134a blowing agent was maintained in this melt state for about 1 hour and the temperature and pressure of the melt/blowing agent was then reduced over a period of about 5 – 15 minutes to about 190°C and 570 psig (hereinafter referred to for convenience as pre-foaming temperature and pre-foaming pressure, respectively), and then maintained at about this temperature and pressure for

a period of about 30 minutes to allow the amount of blowing agent incorporated into the melt under such conditions to reach equilibrium. The temperature and pressure in the autoclave were then reduced rapidly (over a period of about 10 seconds for the pressure reduction and about 1 – 10 minutes for the temperature reduction using chilled water)) to ambient conditions (approximately 22°C and 1 atmosphere) and foaming occurred. The foam thus produced had a relatively acceptable foam structure and was tested to determine relative foam density (RFD) and strength and modulus properties. The RFD of the foam was 0.12.

Example 10 - PEF FOAM PREPARATION USING PEX1 AND cis-1336mzz as BLOWING AGENT

Comparative Example 2 was repeated, except: (i) the HFC-134a blowing with cis1336mmzz; and (ii) in two separate runs the process conditions were modified in a manner to produce a foam having an RFD value that was within about 10% of the RFD produced using HFC-134a in Comparative Example 2. The foams produced were tested to determine various properties, including strength and modulus properties, and was found to be dramatically superior to the foam made with HFC-134a in each of the measured property, as reported in Table E10 below:

TABLE E10

Ex	Blowing Agent	RFD	Avg. Cell Size, μm	RELATIVE MECHANICAL PROPERTIES*			
				RTS	RCS	RTM	RCM
C2	134a	0.12		1	1	1	1
10A	cis-1336mzz	0.11	177	135	11	12.9	6.9
10B	cis-1336mzz	0.14	169	154	65	18.9	26.3
	AVG.	0.13	173	144.5	38	15.9	16.6

*The relative mechanical properties reported in this Table E26 are compared to the properties from the foam produced with HFC-134a as the blowing agent in Comparative Example 2.

As can be seen from TABLE E10 above the foams made using cis1336mzz were surprisingly and dramatically superior to the foam made using HFC-134a in terms of all the physical strength and modulus properties tested. For example, the foam made with cis1336mzz produced a foam with both tensile and compressive strengths and modulus that were in every

case more than 15 times better than the foam made with HFC-134a. This result shows a dramatic and unexpected improvement in physical properties of the foam.

Comparative Example 3 – PEF FOAM PREPARATION USING PEX1 AND ISOPENTANE AS BLOWING AGENT

1 gram of PEX1 in a glass container was loaded into an autoclave and then dried for under vacuum for six (6) hours at 130°C. The dried polymer was then cooled to room temperature and placed in a glass container inside an autoclave. About 0.25 moles (27.8 grams) of isopentane blowing agent was then pumped into the autoclave containing the dried polymer, and then the autoclave was heated to bring the polymer to a melt state at a temperature of about 240°C and a pressure above about 443 psig. The polymer/isopentane blowing agent was maintained in this melt state for about 1 hour and the temperature and pressure of the melt/blowing agent was then reduced over a period of about 5 – 15 minutes to about 190°C and 443 psig (hereinafter referred to for convenience as pre-foaming temperature and pre-foaming pressure, respectively), and then maintained at about this temperature and pressure for a period of about 30 minutes to allow the amount of blowing agent incorporated into the melt under such conditions to reach equilibrium. The temperature and pressure in the autoclave were then reduced rapidly (over a period of about 10 seconds for the pressure reduction and about 1 – 10 minutes for the temperature reduction using chilled water)) to ambient conditions (approximately 22°C and 1 atmosphere) and foaming occurred. The foam thus produced had a relatively acceptable foam structure and was tested to determine relative foam density (RFD) and strength and modulus properties. The RFD of the foam was 0.13.

Examples 11 – 12 - PEF FOAM PREPARATION USING PEX1 AND cis-1336mzz as BLOWING AGENT

Comparative Example 3 was repeated, except: (i) the isopentane blowing agent was replaced in the process with cis1336mmzz ; and (ii) in two separate runs the process conditions were modified in a manner to produce a foam having an RFD value that was within about 10% of the RFD produced using isopentane in Comparative Example 3. The foam produced was tested to determine various properties, including strength and modulus properties, and was found to be dramatically superior in each of the measured property, as reported in Table E11-12 below:

TABLE E11-12

Ex	Blowing Agent	RFD	Avg. Cell	RELATIVE MECHANICAL PROPERTIES*
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			Size, μm				
				RTS	RCS	RTM	RCM
C3	Isopentane	0.12		1	1	1	12)
11	cis-1336mzz	0.11	177	1.42	0.48	1.46	0.3
12	cis-1336mzz	0.14	169	1.62	2.8	2.1	1.2
	AVG.	0.13	173	1.52	1.6	1.78	0.75

*The relative mechanical properties reported in this Table E11-12 are compared to the properties from the foam produced with isopentane as the blowing agent in Comparative Example 3.

5 As can be seen from TABLE E11-12 above, the foams made using cis1336mzz were surprisingly superior to the foam made using isopentane in terms of all tensile strength, compressive strength and tensile modulus. For example, the foam made with cis1336mzz produced foam with both tensile and compressive strength, on average, that was more than 1.5 times better than the foam made with isopentane. This result shows that unexpected
10 improvement in physical properties of the foam can be achieved according to the present invention.

Examples 13 - 24 – PEF FOAM PREPARATION USING PEF WITH MW OF 25,000 – 125,000 and Blowing Agent Comprising cis1336mzz and co-blowing agents

15 The foams made with 1336mzz(Z) in Example 11 having a volume of closed cells being 90% or greater are repeated, except that instead of using a blowing agent consisting of 1336mzz(Z), a co-blowing as indicated the following table is used to replace portions of the 1336mzz(Z) ranging from 5% to 45% on a molar basis, as indicated below in Table E13 -
20 24(with all values understood to be “about” the indicated value).

TABLE E13-24

Example	Thermoplastic Properties		Co-Blowing Agent/amount (mole% of total blowing agent)	Foam Properties***			
	WT% PEF	MW		RFD	Strength	Modulus	Vol% Closed Cells

13A	10	25,000 – 125,000	CO2/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
13B	20	25,000 – 125,000	CO2/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
13C	30	25,000 – 125,000	CO2/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
13D	40	25,000 – 125,000	CO2/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
13E	50	25,000 – 125,000	CO2/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
13F	60	25,000 – 125,000	CO2/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
13G	70	25,000 – 125,000	CO2/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
13H	80	25,000 – 125,000	CO2/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
13I	90	25,000 – 125,000	CO2/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
13J	100	25,000 – 125,000	CO2/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
14A	10	25,000 – 125,000	Butane*/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
14B	20	25,000 – 125,000	Butane*/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
14C	30	25,000 – 125,000	Butane*/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
14D	40	25,000 – 125,000	Butane*/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
14E	50	25,000 – 125,000	Butane*/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
14F	60	25,000 – 125,000	Butane*/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
14G	70	25,000 – 125,000	Butane*/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
14H	80	25,000 – 125,000	Butane*/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
14I	90	25,000 – 125,000	Butane*/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90

14J	100	25,000 – 125,000	Butane*/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
15A	10	25,000 – 125,000	Pentane**/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
15B	20	25,000 – 125,000	Pentane**/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
15C	30	25,000 – 125,000	Pentane**/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
15D	40	25,000 – 125,000	Pentane**/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
15E	50	25,000 – 125,000	Pentane**/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
15F	60	25,000 – 125,000	Pentane**/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
15G	70	25,000 – 125,000	Pentane**/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
15H	80	25,000 – 125,000	Pentane**/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
15I	90	25,000 – 125,000	Pentane**/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
15J	100	25,000 – 125,000	Pentane**/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
16A	10	25,000 – 125,000	Methanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
16B	20	25,000 – 125,000	Methanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
16C	30	25,000 – 125,000	Methanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
16D	40	25,000 – 125,000	Methanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
16E	50	25,000 – 125,000	Methanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
16F	60	25,000 – 125,000	Methanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
16G	70	25,000 – 125,000	Methanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
16H	80	25,000 – 125,000	Methanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90

16I	90	25,000 – 125,000	Methanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
15J	100	25,000 – 125,000	Methanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
17A	10	25,000 – 125,000	Ethanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
17B	20	25,000 – 125,000	Ethanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
17C	30	25,000 – 125,000	Ethanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
17D	40	25,000 – 125,000	Ethanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
17E	50	25,000 – 125,000	Ethanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
17F	60	25,000 – 125,000	Ethanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
17G	70	25,000 – 125,000	Ethanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
17H	80	25,000 – 125,000	Ethanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
17I	90	25,000 – 125,000	Ethanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
17J	100	25,000 – 125,000	Ethanol/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
18A	50	25,000 – 125,000	Methyl formate/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
18B	60	25,000 – 125,000	Methyl formate/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
18C	70	25,000 – 125,000	Methyl formate/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
18D	80	25,000 – 125,000	Methyl formate/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
18E	90	25,000 – 125,000	Methyl formate/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
18F	100	25,000 – 125,000	Methyl formate/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
19A	10	25,000 – 125,000	Dimethyl	<0.2	A	A	=>90

			ether (DME)/5% - 45%				
19B	20	25,000 – 125,000	Dimethyl ether (DME)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
19C	30	25,000 – 125,000	Dimethyl ether (DME)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
19D	40	25,000 – 125,000	Dimethyl ether (DME)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
19E	50	25,000 – 125,000	Dimethyl ether (DME)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
19F	60	25,000 – 125,000	DME/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
19G	70	25,000 – 125,000	DME /5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
19H	80	25,000 – 125,000	DME /5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
19I	90	25,000 – 125,000	DME /5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
19J	100	25,000 – 125,000	DME /5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
20A	10	25,000 – 125,000	HFC-134a/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
20B	20	25,000 – 125,000	HFC-134a/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
20C	30	25,000 – 125,000	HFC-134a/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
20D	40	25,000 – 125,000	HFC-134a/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
20E	50	25,000 – 125,000	HFC-134a/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
20F	60	25,000 – 125,000	HFC-134a/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
20G	70	25,000 – 125,000	HFC-134a/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90

20H	80	25,000 – 125,000	HFC-134a/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
20I	90	25,000 – 125,000	HFC-134a/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
20J	100	25,000 – 125,000	HFC-134a/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
21A	10	25,000 – 125,000	1234ze(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
21B	20	25,000 – 125,000	1234ze(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
21C	30	25,000 – 125,000	1234ze(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
21D	40	25,000 – 125,000	1234ze(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
21E	50	25,000 – 125,000	1234ze(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
21F	60	25,000 – 125,000	1234ze(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
21G	70	25,000 – 125,000	1234ze(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
21H	80	25,000 – 125,000	1234ze(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
21I	90	25,000 – 125,000	1234ze(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
21J	100	25,000 – 125,000	1234ze(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
22A	10	25,000 – 125,000	1336mzz(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
22B	20	25,000 – 125,000	1336mzz(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
22C	30	25,000 – 125,000	1336mzz(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
22D	40	25,000 – 125,000	1336mzz(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
22E	50	25,000 – 125,000	1336mzz(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
22F	60	25,000 – 125,000	1336mzz(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90

22G	70	25,000 – 125,000	1336mzz(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
22H	80	25,000 – 125,000	1336mzz(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
22I	90	25,000 – 125,000	1336mzz(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
22J	100	25,000 – 125,000	1336mzz(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
23A	10	25,000 – 125,000	1233zd(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
23B	20	25,000 – 125,000	1233zd(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
23C	30	25,000 – 125,000	1233zd(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
23D	40	25,000 – 125,000	1233zd(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
23E	50	25,000 – 125,000	1233zd(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
23F	60	25,000 – 125,000	1233zd(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
23G	70	25,000 – 125,000	1233zd(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
23H	80	25,000 – 125,000	1233zd(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
23I	90	25,000 – 125,000	1233zd(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
23J	100	25,000 – 125,000	1233zd(E)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
24A	10	25,000 – 125,000	1224yd(Z)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
24B	20	25,000 – 125,000	1224yd(Z)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
24C	30	25,000 – 125,000	1224yd(Z)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
24D	40	25,000 – 125,000	1224yd(Z)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
24E	50	25,000 – 125,000	1224yd(Z)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90

24F	60	25,000 – 125,000	1224yd(Z)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
24G	70	25,000 – 125,000	1224yd(Z)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
24H	80	25,000 – 125,000	1224yd(Z)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
24I	90	25,000 – 125,000	1224yd(Z)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90
24J	100	25,000 – 125,000	1224yd(Z)/5% - 45%	<0.2	A	A	=>90

* butane refers separately and independently to each of iso and normal butane

** pentane refers separately and independently to each of iso, normal, neo and cyclo-pentane

*** A - acceptable

5 **Example 25 – PEF PREPARATION AT MW 75,000 WITH PMDA CHAIN EXTENDER AND SSP**

A bio-based polyethylene furanoate homopolymer was prepared by esterification and polycondensation of 2,5-furandicarboxylic acid with mono ethylene glycol according to known methods to produce PEF homopolymer, which is then treated according to techniques generally
 10 corresponding to the techniques described in detail in Example 1, with the chain extender PMDA at 0.7% by weight and then subject to solid state polymerization according to known techniques to produce a PEF homopolymer. The PEF polymer was tested and found to have the following characteristics²:

Molecular Weight – 75,000

15 Density (g/cc) – 1.43

Glass Transition Temperature – 90.2°C

Melt Temperature - 222°C

Decomposition Temperature – 346°C

Crystallinity - 42%

20 The PEF polymer so produced is referred to in these Examples as PEX15.

Examples 26A and 26B - PEF FOAM PREPARATION USING PEX15 trans-1233zd and cis1336mzz as BLOWING AGENT

Using a procedure corresponding generally to that described in Comparative Example 1,
 25 a foam was formed by placing 1 gram of PEX15 in a glass container, which was loaded into a

60 cc autoclave and then dried for under vacuum for six (6) hours at 130°C. The dried polymer was then cooled to room temperature and placed in a glass container inside an autoclave. In two separate runs, 55 grams (Ex26A) and 25 grams (Ex26B) were then pumped into the autoclave containing the dried polymer, and then the autoclave was heated to bring the polymer to a melt state at a temperature of about 240°C and a pressure above the pre-foaming pressure. The polymer/1336mzz(Z) blowing agent was maintained in this melt state for about 1 hour and the temperature and pressure of the melt/blowing agent was then reduced over a period of about 5 – 15 minutes to about 190°C and 590 psig (Ex26A) and 267 psig (Ex26B) (hereinafter referred to for convenience as pre-foaming temperature and pre-foaming pressure, respectively), and then maintained at about this temperature and pressure for a period of about 30 minutes to allow the amount of blowing agent incorporated into the melt under such conditions to reach equilibrium. The temperature and pressure in the autoclave were then reduced rapidly (over a period of about 10 seconds for the pressure reduction and about 1 – 10 minutes for the temperature reduction using chilled water)) to ambient conditions (approximately 22°C and 1 atmosphere) and foaming occurred. The foams thus produced were tested and found to have the properties as reported in Table E26 below:

TABLE E26

Ex	Blowing Agent	RFD	MECHANICAL PROPERTIES			
			TS, Mpa	CS, Mpa	TM, Mpa	CM, Mpa
26A	1336mzz(Z)	0.096	0.98	1.11	33.1	33.9
26B	1336mzz(Z)	0.097	1.34	0.66	42.9	6.75
	AVG.	0.0965	1.16	0.89	38	20.3

As can be seen from the results reported in Table E26 the use of 1336mzz(Z) blowing agent, with a PEF polymer that had no tannin moieties present, produced a foam that had a dramatically and unexpectedly improved density compared to the foam made with CO₂ of Comparative Example 1, even though that foam was made from a polymer with a much higher molecular weight. In particular, the density of the foam produced with 1336mzz(Z) of this example resulted in density value that is, on average, about 2 times less than (about half of) the density of the CO₂ blown foam of Comparative Example 1. Furthermore the use of the 1336mzz(Z) in this lower molecular weight foam also unexpectedly produced a foam that was

dramatically superior to the CO₂ blown foam of Comparative Example 1, even though that foam had a much higher density and was made with a PEF polymer with a much higher molecular weight. For example, the foam blown with 1336mzz(Z) was, on average, about 1.5 times better in tensile strength and was about a 1.7 times better compressive strength than the foam of
5 Comparative Example 1.

10 The following clauses provide descriptions within the scope of the present invention.

Clause 1. A low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls forming closed cells, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 50% by weight of the thermoplastic
15 polymer; and

(b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms contained in the closed cells.

Clause 2. The foam of clause 1 wherein said cell walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender.

20 **Clause 3.** The foam of clause 1 wherein said cell walls consist essentially of polyethylene furanoate having a molecular weight of greater than 25,000.

Clause 4. The foam of clause 1 wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 70% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer.

25 **Clause 5.** The foam of clause 1 wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 90% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer.

Clause 6. The foam of clause 1 wherein said foam has a relative foam density (RFD) of about 0.2 or less.

Clause 7. The foam of clause 1 wherein said foam has a foam density of less than 0.4 g/cc.

30 **Clause 8.** The foam of clause 1 wherein said foam has a foam density of less than 0.2 g/cc.

Clause 9. The foam of clause 1 wherein said one or more blowing agents contained in said closed cells comprise one or more of 1224yd, 1233zd(E), 1234yf, 1234ze(E), 1336mzz(E) and 1336mzz(Z).

5 **Clause 10.** The foam of clause 9 wherein said cell walls consist essentially of polyethylene furanoate having a molecular weight of greater than 100,000.

Clause 11. The foam of clause 1 wherein said one or more blowing agents contained in said closed cells comprise at least 1234ze(E).

10 **Clause 12.** The foam of clause 11 wherein said cell walls consist essentially of polyethylene furanoate having a molecular weight of greater than 100,000 and wherein said foam has a relative foam density (RFD) of about 0.2 or less.

Clause 13. The foam of clause 1 wherein said one or more blowing agents contained in said closed cells comprise at least 1336mzz(Z).

15 **Clause 14.** The foam of clause 13 wherein said cell walls consist essentially of polyethylene furanoate having a molecular weight of greater than 100,000 and wherein said foam has a relative foam density (RFD) of about 0.2 or less.

Clause 15. The foam of clause 1 wherein said one or more blowing agents contained in said closed cells comprise at least 1336mzz(Z) and/or 1234ze(E).

20 **Clause 16.** The foam of clause 15 wherein said cell walls consist essentially of polyethylene furanoate having a molecular weight of greater than 100,000 and wherein said foam has a relative foam density (RFD) of about 0.2 or less.

Clause 17. A wind energy turbine blade and/or nacelle comprising a foam according to anyone of clauses 1 – 16.

Clause 18. An automobile car wall comprising a foam according to anyone of clauses 1 – 16.

25 **Clause 19.** An marine vessel comprising a foam according to anyone of clauses 1 – 16.

Clause 20. An aircraft or aerospace vessel comprising a foam according to anyone of clauses 1 – 16.

Clause 21. A low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls forming closed cells, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 50% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer; and

(b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms contained in the closed cells.

Clause 22. A low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls forming closed cells, said cell walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender and that has a molecular weight of greater than 25,000; and

(b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms contained in the closed cells.

Clause 23. A low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender and that has a molecular weight of greater than 25,000, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 70% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer; and

(b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms contained in the closed cells.

Clause 24. A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender and that has a molecular weight of greater than 25,000, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 90% of the thermoplastic contains ethylene furanoate moieties; and

(b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms contained in the closed cells.

Clause 25A. A includes low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender; and

(b) a blowing agent contained in said closed cells, wherein said foam has a relative foam density (RFD) of about 0.2 or less and a foam density of less than 0.3 g/cc.

Clause 25B. A includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls wherein at least about 50% by volume of the cells are closed cells and wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 50% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer; and

5 (b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms contained in the closed cells.

Clause 25C. A includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender and that has a molecular weight
10 of greater than 25,000, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 50% of the thermoplastic and wherein at least about 50% by volume of the cells are closed cells; and

(b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms contained in the closed cells.

15 **Clause 25D.** A includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender and that has a molecular weight of greater than 25,000, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 50% of the thermoplastic and wherein at least about 75% by volume of the cells are closed cells;
20 and

(b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms contained in the closed cells.

Clause 25E. A includes low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender and that has a molecular weight
25 of greater than 25,000, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 50% of the thermoplastic and wherein at least about 90% by volume of the cells are closed cells; and

(b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more
30 HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms contained in the closed cells.

Clause 26. A includes low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender; and
(b) a blowing agent contained in said closed cells,
wherein said foam has an RFD of about 0.2 or less and a density of less than 0.3 g/cc.

Clause 27. A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender; and
(b) a blowing agent contained in said closed cells,
wherein said foam has a density of less than 0.25 g/cc.

Clause 28A. A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender and that has a molecular weight of greater than 50,000, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 50% of the thermoplastic and wherein at least about 50% by volume of the cells are closed cells;
and

(b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms contained in the closed cells.

Clause 28B. A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender and that has a molecular weight of greater than 50,000, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 50% of the thermoplastic and wherein at least about 75% by volume of the cells are closed cells;
and

(b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms contained in the closed cells.

Clause 28C. A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender and that has a molecular weight of greater than 100,000; and

(b) a blowing agent contained in said closed cells, wherein said foam has a density of less than 0.3 g/cc.

Clause 29 A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender; and

(b) a blowing agent contained in said closed cells and comprising one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms, wherein said foam has a density of less than 0.3 g/cc.

Clause 30. A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender; and

(b) a blowing agent contained said closed cells and comprising one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms, wherein said foam has a density of less than 0.25 g/cc.

Clause 31. A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls forming closed cells, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 50% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer and wherein said thermoplastic comprises polyethylene furanoate-based polymer that has been treated with a chain extender and that has a molecular weight of greater than 25,000; and

(b) one or more blowing agents contained in said closed cells, said blowing agent comprising one or more of 1224yd, 1233zd(E), 1234yf, 1234ze(E), 1336mzz(E) and 1336mzz(Z).

Clause 32. A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls forming closed cells, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 70% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer and wherein said thermoplastic comprises polyethylene furanoate-based polymer that has been treated with a chain extender and that has a molecular weight of greater than 100,000; and

(b) one or more blowing agents contained in said closed cells, said blowing agent comprising one or more of 1224yd, 1233zd(E), 1234yf, 1234ze(E), 1336mzz(E) and 1336mzz(Z).

Clause 33. A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls forming closed cells, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 90% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer and wherein said thermoplastic comprises polyethylene furanoate-based polymer that has been treated with a chain extender and that has having a molecular weight of greater than 100,000; and

(b) one or more blowing agents contained in said closed cells, said blowing agent comprising one or more of 1224yd, 1233zd(E), 1234yf, 1234ze(E), 1336mzz(E) and 1336mzz(Z).

Clause 34. A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls forming closed cells, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 90% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer and wherein said thermoplastic comprises has a molecular weight of greater than 100,000; and

(b) one or more blowing agents contained in said closed cells, said blowing agent comprising one or more of 1234ze(E), 1336mzz(E) and 1336mzz(Z).

Clause 35. A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls forming closed cells, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 90% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer and wherein said thermoplastic comprises has a molecular weight of greater than 100,000; and

(b) one or more blowing agents contained in said closed cells, said blowing agent consisting essentially of 1234ze(E).

Clause 36. A includes low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls forming closed cells, wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 90% by weight of the thermoplastic polymer and wherein said thermoplastic comprises has a molecular weight of greater than 100,000; and

(b) one or more blowing agents contained in said closed cells, said blowing agent consisting essentially of 1336mzz(E).

Clause 37. A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate; and

(b) trans-1234ze contained in said closed cells,
wherein said foam has a density of less than 0.3 g/cc.

5 **Clause 38.** A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cell walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate; and

(b) HFO-1234yf contained in said closed cells,
wherein said foam has a density of less than 0.3 g/cc.

10 **Clause 39.** A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cells walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate; and

(b) 1336mzz(E) contained in said closed cells,
wherein said foam has a density of less than 0.3 g/cc.

15 **Clause 40.** A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cells walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate; and

(b) 1336mzz(Z) contained in said closed cells,
wherein said foam has a density of less than 0.3 g/cc.

20 **Clause 41.** A low-density, closed-cell thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) closed thermoplastic cells comprising cells walls consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate; and

(b) 1224yd contained in said closed cells,
wherein said foam has a density of less than 0.3 g/cc.

25 **Clause 42.** A foamable thermoplastic compositions comprising:

(a) thermoplastic material consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate that has been treated with a chain extender and that has a molecular weight of greater than 25,000, wherein at least 50% of the thermoplastic contains ethylene furanoate moieties; and

30 (b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms.

Clause 43. A foamable thermoplastic compositions comprising:

- (a) thermoplastic material consisting essentially of polyethylene furanoate having a molecular weight of greater than 100,000, wherein at least 50% of the thermoplastic contains ethylene furanoate moieties;
- 5 (b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms.

Clause 44. A foamable thermoplastic compositions comprising:

- (a) thermoplastic material consisting essentially of chain-extended polyethylene furanoate having a molecular weight of greater than 100,000, wherein at least
10 90% of the thermoplastic contains ethylene furanoate moieties; and
- (b) one or more HFOs having three or four carbon atoms and/or one or more HFCOs having three or four carbon atoms contained in said closed cells.

Clause 45. Methods for forming thermoplastic foam comprising foaming a foamable composition of the present invention, including each of Clauses 42 – 44.

15 **Clause 46.** Methods for forming extruded thermoplastic foam comprising extruding a foamable composition of the present invention, including each of Clauses 42 – 44..

What is claimed is:

1. A low-density, thermoplastic foam comprising:
 - (a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate, wherein at least about 50% by volume of the cells are closed cells and wherein said thermoplastic polymer contains no tannin or less than 20% tannin; and
 - (b) at least 1336mzz(Z) contained in said closed cells.
2. The foam of claim 1 wherein the density of the foam is from about 0.05 to less than 0.2 g/cc.
3. The foam of claim 2 wherein the tensile strength of the foam is from about 1.5 to about 3.5 Mpa.
4. The foam of claim 2 wherein the compressive strength of the foam is from about 0.65 to about 1.5 Mpa.
5. The foam of claim 3 wherein the compressive strength of the foam is from about 0.65 to about 1.5 Mpa.
6. The foam of claim 2 wherein the foam has a density of from about 0.05 to less than 0.1 g/cc.
7. The foam of claim 5 wherein the foam has a density of from about 0.05 to less than 0.1 g/cc.
8. The foam of claim 2 wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 50% by weight of said thermoplastic polymer.
9. The foam of claim 2 wherein said cell walls consist essentially of polyethylene furanoate.
10. The foam of claim 2 wherein said cell walls consist essentially of polyethylene furanoate having a molecular weight of at least about 90,000.
11. The foam of claim 2 wherein ethylene furanoate moieties are at least 85% by weight of said thermoplastic polymer.
12. The foam of claim 2 wherein at least about 75% of the cells are closed cells.
13. A thermoplastic foam comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer cells comprising cell walls comprising polyethylene furanoate having a crystallinity of at least 10%, wherein at least about 50% by volume of the cells are closed cells and wherein said thermoplastic polymer contains no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an amount of less than 20% by weight; and

(b) gas in said closed cells comprising 1336mzz(Z) contained in the closed cells.

14. The foam of claim 13 wherein said gas in said closed cells further comprises one or more of 1234ze(E), 1336mzz(E), 1224yd(E), 1224yd(Z), 1233zd(E), 1234yf, and combinations of two or more of these.

15. The foam of claim 14 wherein at least about 75% of the cells are closed cells.

16. The foam of claim 13 wherein said gas in said closed cells comprises at least 60% by weight of 1366mzz(Z) and wherein said cell walls consist essentially of polyethylene furanoate having a molecular weight of at least about 90,000.

17. The foam of claim 13 wherein said gas in said closed cells consists essentially of 1336mzz(Z).

18. A wind energy turbine blade and/or nacelle, or an automobile car wall, or an aircraft or aerospace vessel comprising the foam of any one of claims 1 - 17.

19. A foamable composition comprising:

(a) thermoplastic polymer comprising polyethylene furanoate containing no tannin moieties or tannin moieties in an amount of less than 20% by weight; and

(b) a blowing agent comprising 1336mzz(Z).

20. The foamable composition of claim 19 wherein said blowing agent comprises from about 5% to about 95% of said 1336mzz(Z) .

21. The foamable composition of claim 19 wherein said polyethylene furanoate has a molecular weight of from about 25,000 to about at least about 180,000 and has a crystallinity of from 30% to 60% by volume.

22. The foamable composition of claim 19 wherein said polyethylene furanoate has a molecular weight of from about 80,000 to about at least about 130,000 and has a crystallinity of from 30% to 60% by volume.

23. The foamable composition of claim 20 wherein said polyethylene furanoate has a molecular weight of from about 80,000 to about at least about 130,000 and has a crystallinity of from 30% to 60% by volume.

24. The foamable composition of claim 23 wherein said polyethylene furanoate has a molecular weight of from about 90,000 to about at least about 120,000 and has a crystallinity of from 30% to 60% by volume and wherein said blowing agent comprises at least about 60% by weight of 1336mzz(Z).

25. The foamable composition of claim 20 wherein said polyethylene furanoate has a molecular weight of from about 25,000 to about at least about 180,000 and has a crystallinity of from 30% to 60% by volume.

28. The foamable composition of claim 29 wherein said polyethylene furanoate has a molecular weight of from about 80,000 to about at least about 130,000 and has a crystallinity of from 30% to 60% by volume.

29. The foamable composition of claim 20 wherein said polyethylene furanoate has a molecular weight of from about 80,000 to about at least about 130,000 and has a crystallinity of from 30% to 60% by volume.

30. The foamable composition of claim 20 wherein said polyethylene furanoate has a molecular weight of from about 90,000 to about at least about 120,000 and has a crystallinity of from 30% to 60% by volume and wherein said blowing agent comprises at least about 60% by weight of 1336mzz(Z).

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