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<b>Food and Beverage Statement</b>	January 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2023 – Dec 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2023
Dates Covered:	
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**FDA**

Films supplied by Sigma Stretch Film are not intended nor approved for direct food contact. As a result, Sigma is not able to supply the following commonly requested documents:

1. Bioterrorism Act of 2002 policies and procedures
2. Third party audit results
3. GMP policies and procedures

Although our facilities are not inspected or approved to produce food grade films, it should be noted that the materials used to produce our clear and colorless films are approved under FDA 21 CFR177.1520 direct food contact regulations, and these films are considered safe for use as a secondary or tertiary packaging component.

**CFIA**

Films supplied by Sigma Stretch Film are not intended nor approved for direct food contact. As a result, Films manufactured by Sigma are not subject to the rules and regulations established by the *Canadian Food Inspection Agency*:

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### **Continuing Guarantee**

Our raw material suppliers have certified that the resins used to make all Sigma Stretch Film products except the opaque/tinted blends meet FDA Food Additive Regulation 21 CFR 177.1520 par(c) 3.1. This regulation states that the polymer can be used in all food packaging applications, except holding food during cooking.

Sigma Stretch Film hereby certifies that the films sold to the original buyers are not adulterated nor misbranded as outlined in section 409 of the United States Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with the exception of our films containing pigments including, but not limited to, the UV inhibited products, the light tint color films, and dark tint color films.

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### **Gluten**

Stretch films supplied by Sigma Stretch Films do not contain Gluten nor do they come in contact with Gluten during the manufacturing and storage process.

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### **GMO**

This letter is to certify that no genetically modified organisms (GMO's) are used in the manufacture of films supplied by Sigma Stretch Film

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### **Halal and Kosher**

Stretch films supplied by Sigma Stretch Film are not intended for direct food contact or consumption and therefore are not produced with Halal nor Kosher processes in mind.

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### **Pest Control**

All five of Sigma Stretch Films manufacturing plants contract a licensed pest control operator in their area to develop and maintain pest control programs to insure a level of control appropriate for the manufacture of industrial grade stretch films.

The pest control plans have been developed by the contractor to provide adequate protect for industrial grades films and include exterior bait stations, interior traps, and chemical treatment.

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### **Shelf Life**

Stretch film produced by Sigma Stretch Film is made using resins under the broad category of low density polyethylene (LDPE). Since LDPE is an inert product, the film does not change over time due to atmospheric influences. You should see no deterioration in physical properties. However, the thermal stabilizers used in manufacturing the film can begin to discolor over time and cause a yellow or dingy color throughout the roll. Again, there is no loss of physical properties with this color change. In general, we suggest using the stretch film within six months of purchase to avoid this discoloration.

### Storage Conditions

Sigma Stretch Film recommends a dry storage area with moderate temperatures. Storage at temperatures over 100 degrees is not suggested due to the potential of cling migration and possible telescoping. However, there should be no degradation of physical properties due to the heat. Exposure to moisture may cause swelling or failure of the paper core and therefore should be avoided.

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### Lot Code

A unique lot code is assigned to each pallet quantity of film produced by Sigma Stretch Film. The lot codes are alphanumeric and will begin with an L, K, T, C, or B. This letter indicates which facility produced the film. The letter is followed by seven numbers that are issued by the manufacturing plant and are not duplicated. The numbers are generally sequential and do not have manufacturing information contained in the digits. Pertinent information is kept in a database that links the lot number to quality, manufacturing, and sales records. The number is printed on a card that can be found stapled to the pallet.

### Example Lot Code:



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## Warranty

All films manufactured by Sigma Stretch Film carry a one year warranty from the date of receipt to be free from manufacturing defects and meet all specifications outlined in the product specification sheet.

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## Reach, RoHS, RoHS 2, RoHS 3, Reach annex 14/17, and SVHC

This is to certify that all films produced by Sigma Stretch Film are free of the 209 chemicals listed on the Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) list last updated in July of 2020 by the European Community REACH Regulation; and are compliant with RoHS requirements.

Please see <http://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table> for a complete list.

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## Raw Materials

All material provided by Sigma shall meet product specification. Additionally, any proposed modification of the specification shall be communicated in writing prior to implementation. Sigma also guarantees that only resins from approved suppliers shall be used as raw material and any modification of the blend shall be communicated in writing as well.

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## California Prop 65

This is to certify that Sigma Stretch Film's clear and colorless films, the UV inhibited films and black machine films (Items beginning with MAA) comply with California's Proposition 65 also known as Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986. No chemicals listed under prop 65 are intentionally added or known to exist in the aforementioned formulations

Proposition 65 requires businesses to provide warnings to Californians about significant exposures to chemicals that cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. These chemicals can be in the products that Californians purchase, in their homes or workplaces, or that are released into the environment. By requiring that this information be provided, Proposition 65 enables Californians to make informed decisions about their exposures to these chemicals.

For a complete up to date list, please see <http://www.oehha.ca.gov/prop65.html>

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