

Official: EPL Receives Highest RecyClass Recognition for Innovative Tube Material Etain™ rPE

- In-house development: EPL laminate tube range Etain[™] rPE with HDPE cap receives RecyClass certification
- Environmentally friendly: Etain[™] rPE tube material fully recyclable and classified in class A at RecyClass
- EPL once again sets standards in sustainability and quality

19.06.2024: EPL Europe, part of the global laminate and plastic tube manufacturer headquartered in Mumbai, has received another significant recognition in the field of sustainability. RecyClass, a leading initiative to promote and assess the recyclability of plastic packaging in Europe, has officially certified the innovative tube material **Etain[™] rPE** with an HDPE closure. This recognition confirms that EPL's packaging is sorted in the HDPE rigid stream/'Code 2' and has achieved the highest RecyClass rating "Class A".

The analysis and certification were carried out in compliance with the Design for Recycling Guidelines for HDPE Rigid. This once again makes EPL a pioneer in the development of its own sustainable and recognized packaging solutions.

"This certification is further proof of our commitment to developing environmentally friendly and sustainable packaging solutions," explains Thomas Holling, New Product Development Manager Europe. "Etain[™] rPE tubes not only offer our customers the opportunity to incorporate a significant recycled content into their packaging, but also to put less plastic into circulation overall thanks to the thinner wall thickness compared to extruded tubes. After use, the finished packaging can be returned to the recycling loop with the same value and without significant losses - an important step towards the circular economy."

The **Etain[™] rPE** tubes are ideal for customers in the FMCG market, particularly for the cosmetics, household and oral hygiene segments, due to their material composition and are available with various sustainable closure options. They offer companies the opportunity to convert their product lines to more environmentally friendly packaging and thus make an important contribution to the circular economy. EPL is committed to continuous innovation and optimization of material properties to ensure the highest standards of recyclability.

About EPL Ltd.:

EPL Limited (formerly known as Essel Propack Ltd.) is the world's largest specialist packaging company manufacturing laminated plastic tubes for the FMCG and pharmaceutical industries. EPL has 21 state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities in 11 countries and sells around 8 billion tubes per year.

EPL has facilities in India, China, the Philippines, the USA, Mexico, Brazil, Colombia, Poland, Germany and Egypt. These facilities serve the five key categories of cosmetics, oral care, pharmaceuticals, food and household and offer customized solutions through constant innovation in materials, technology, design and processes.

The EPL Sustainability Toolbox offers a wide range of advanced, customized packaging solutions in tubes. EPL is committed to delivering the most environmentally friendly packaging possible to meet both its own sustainability goals and those of its customers. For more information about EPL, please visit www.eplglobal.com.

About RecyClass:

RecyClass is a comprehensive, cross-industry initiative to improve the recyclability of plastic packaging in Europe. RecyClass assesses recyclability and provides specific recommendations on how to improve packaging design to fit current recycling technologies. The results are used to update the RecyClass guidelines for Design for Recycling. https://recyclass.eu/news/

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