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Dear Valued Customer,

Thank you for your interest in BRANDTECH products. PFAS (perfluorinated and polyfluorinated alkyl substances) are chemicals used in a variety of industrial processes and consumer products. As defined by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) the substance group, as per definition, comprises more than 10,000 different compounds. A number of PFAS are subject to regulation or banned in the European Union. These bans are implemented via the REACH and the POP Regulations. Accordingly, products made by BRAND, VACUUBRAND, and VITLAB – including those sold by BRANDTECH - do not contain any of the banned PFAS.

At The BRAND Group, we are committed to providing products that enhance the protection of people and the environment against the risks posed by chemicals. The European Union is currently examining further restrictions on PFAS in accordance with the REACH regulation. We are monitoring these developments and working closely with our material suppliers to ensure that our products do not contain PFAS and that appropriate alternatives will be available in the future. We exclusively work with raw material suppliers for resins who guarantee the absence of PFAS that are already banned. We utilize a select range of fluoropolymers (e.g., PTFE, ETFE, PTCFE, PFA, FEP) for essential components of our products in contact with media and fluoroelastomers (e.g. FKM, FFKM) for sealing purposes (e.g. O-rings) to ensure exceptional chemical resistance.

Furthermore, we are aware that our customers in the United States have reporting obligations in late 2025/early 2026. The US EPA has recently issued a recordkeeping and reporting rule for PFAS, scheduled to require data is reported by January 2026 (US TSCA Section 8(a)(7) Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements for Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances). While BRAND GMBH + CO KG (Germany), VACUUBRAND GMBH + CO KG, and VITLAB GMBH are not subject to these reporting obligations, The BRAND Group is committed to providing our customers with the relevant information they require from us as a reliable partner. Due to the diverse nature of our product portfolio and the technical complexity of many of our products, we are unable to respond to your inquiry in full at this time. We are currently collating this data for our customers and anticipate being able to provide it prior to the conclusion of the reporting period. We appreciate your patience and your continued trust in our products.

Best regards,



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