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The Technical Committee of the European PET Bottle Platform (EPBP) was requested to evaluate the effect of APTAR Food+Beverage closures containing a silicone valve with a density of 0,95 g/cm³ on the quality of recycled PET. Data supplied from tests carried out according to the EPBP testing protocol demonstrated that APTAR silicone valves floated on the washing water, and were thus removed during the sink-float step. The resultant recycled PET flakes did not contain any silicone.

The European PET Bottle Platform (EPBP) concludes that APTAR Food+Beverage swimming silicone valve with a density less than or equal to 0,95 g/cm³ will have **no negative impact on current European PET recycling**.