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The Technical Committee of the European PET Bottle Platform (EPBP) was requested to assess the effect of: Eastman Cristal™ EN076 and Cristal™ EN067 copolyester resins on the quality of recycled PET.

The application refers to resins that are modified copolyester with a lower crystallization rate than standard PET that will be used for those applications for which standard PET shows too high crystallization. The difference between the assessed resins relates to the level of intrinsic viscosity.

Based on the EPBP assessment's outcome and current market knowledge in 2021, the European PET Bottle Platform (EPBP) concludes that Eastman Cristal™ EN076 and Cristal™ EN067 resins will not have a negative impact on current European PET Recycling and awarded endorsement for a market penetration up to 5%.

The EPBP reserves the right to update and change the conditions of this technical opinion at any time, upon prior notice to Eastman, in accordance with the most recent technologies, assessments and experience.

The European PET Bottles Platform EPBP is a voluntary industry initiative that provides PET bottle design guidelines for recycling, evaluates bottle packaging solutions and technologies, and facilitates understanding of the effects of new PET bottles innovations on recycling process. The EPBP initiative fully supports the economic and Environmental sustainability of the European PET value chain.