Exceed<sup>™</sup> performance polymer Fact sheet





# Stretch film solution that incorporates post-consumer recycled (PCR) content









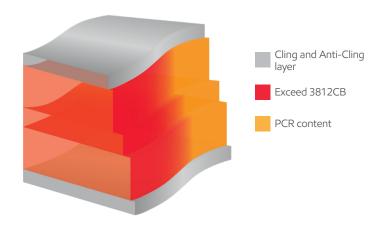
Data and results presented herein apply specifically to the noted application under this fact sheet. Your results may differ depending on factors such as operating conditions, equipment and materials used.

Based on ExxonMobil testing, a C4-LLDPE-based formulation with the incorporation of PCR content may not deliver the film and end-use level of performance required for machine wrap stretch films unless high quality recycled content is used.

Exceed<sup>™</sup> 3812CB performance polymer is an excellent post-consumer recycled (PCR) content blend partner. As demonstrated in ExxonMobil testing, it helps enable the incorporation of up to 20% PCR content in a machine-wrap stretch film solution, with reduced impacts from gels and improved wrapper consistency.

### Exceed 3812CB performance polymer as an excellent PCR content blend partner demonstrated

- Higher melt index and lower density (vs reference performance PE (0.916 g/cm3; 3.5 g/10 min)) exhibiting improved mechanical performance and processing capability.
- Especially suited as a blend partner with PCR content.
- Acted as a gel grinder, reducing the amount and size of gels, and helping improve wrapper consistency.



Note: Concept applicable for 3-layer line as an illustration

#### Exceed<sup>™</sup> 3812CB performance polymer as a gel grinder delivered higher shear

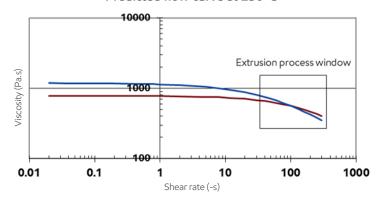
Tests performed on Exceed™ 3812CB and the reference C4-LLDPE (using the same PCR content batch under the same processing conditions) observed that the addition of Exceed 3812 performance polyethylene in the blend reduced the amount of gels. Additionally, higher viscosities generally result in higher shear, which can grind larger gels and may help lower the total number of gels.

#### Number of gels per meter of film

200 - 400 μm	400 - 800 μm	800 - 1600 μm	1600 - 2400 µm	2400 - 4000 μm
3145	706	35	0.4	0.0
2708	525	21	0.1	0.0

Absolute values can vary according to the camera type and gel detection sensitivity settings.

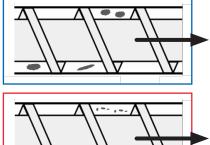
#### Predicted flow curve at 230°C

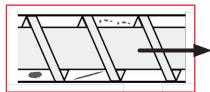


#### Different shear mixing due to different viscosity

Reference performance PE . (0.916 g/cm³ 3.5 g/10 min) blended with PCR in sub-skins

Exceed 3812 (0.912 g/cm<sup>3</sup>) 3.8 g/10 min) blended with PCR in sub-skins





#### Exceed 3812CB performance PE helped improve mechanical performance in a formulation that incorporated recycled PE content

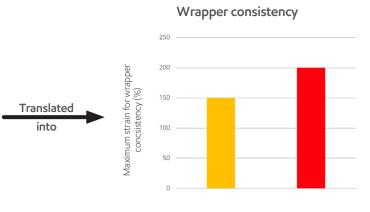
Test results observed improved mechanical performance when Exceed 3812CB performance PE was incorporated into the formulation compared to a reference C4-LLDPE:

- Lower density of Exceed 3812CB performance PE resulted in lower stretch force
- Improved toughness of Exceed 3812CB performance PE increased ultimate strain and improved wrapper consistency

#### Reference performance Exceed 3812 + PE + 20% PCR content 20% PCR content 22µm 22µm Ratio 1/8/1 1/8/1 Anti-cling 75% Reference mPE 75% Exceed 3812CB Соге 25% PCR content\* 25% PCR content\* Cling

Same cling and anti-cling compositions \*PCR-Type 2 considered in these formulations. PCR2-type2: > 90% LLDPE, density: 0.917 g/cm<sup>3</sup>, MI: 1.7 g/10 min

#### FPT ultimate curve 200 180 160 140 Stretch force (N) Higher ultimate strain 120 100 80 Lower stretch force 60 40 20 100 150 200 250 300 350 Strain (%)



Reference performance PE (0.918 g/cm<sup>3</sup>; 3.5 g/10 min) Exceed 3812CB (0.912 g/cm<sup>3</sup>; 3.8 g/10 min)

Test item	Test method			
Ultimate strain	FPT-750 equipment: 30 N unwind force, -4% wind strain, 4000 mm/s line velocity, W stretch pattern			
Gel count (by consistency test)	50 m of unstretched film on FPT-750 equipment: 30 N unwind force, 0% pre-stretch, 5% wind strain, 4000 mm/s line velocity, W stretch pattern, gray value 140			
Wrapper consistency	50 m of unstretched film on FPT-750 equipment: 30 N unwind force, 5% wind strain, W-stretch pattern. Wrapper velocity of 50 wraps/min at 100% 150%, 200%, or 250% pre-stretch; 3 times no film break is seen as a successful test			
Meltindex	(190°C / 2.16 kg) – based on ASTM D1238			
Density / specific gravity	Based on ASTM D792			

All data in this document have been tested by or on behalf of ExxonMobil

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