



October 1, 2015

Dear Valued Customer,

The solvent Hydrochlorofluorocarbon-225 (AK-225) has been banned for manufacture and import into the United States effective January 1, 2015. This is a requirement as part of the Federal Clean Air Act.

Dow-Key has selected Honeywell Solstice Performance Fluid (Solstice) to replace AK-225 as the solvent used for the cleaning process. Solstice has been thoroughly tested by Dow-Key and the test results indicate that Solstice's performance is equivalent, if not better, than AK-225. Dow-Key can provide a test report, if required.

Solstice has also been selected by NASA¹ as the preferred solvent for its facilities.

For Dow-Key Commercial, Military, and Matrix Product, the transition from AK-225 to Solstice will take effect October 1, 2015.

Dow-Key Space and Hi-Reliability Product, AK-225 will continue to be used.

Per AS-9100 requirements, we are advising you of this process change. Please update your records accordingly.

Regards,

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¹ <http://ntrs.nasa.gov/archive/nasa/casi.ntrs.nasa.gov/20150006941.pdf>