



# NEWS ALERT

## DIN CERTCO Verifies Cortec's Certification to Use "Seedling" Logo on Two Compostable Products!



Cortec® is pleased to announce that Eco Film® and Eco Works® have passed their 2018 annual verification inspection by DIN CERTCO, authorizing them to continue bearing the DIN CERTCO "seedling" logo! This distinguishing mark of compostability around the globe verifies that these two types of film and bags meet requirements for industrial compostability according to European (EN 13432), U.S. (ASTM D 6400), and ISO (ISO 17088) standards.

When placed in an industrial compost setting, Eco Film® and Eco Works® will fully biodegrade into carbon dioxide and water within a matter of weeks, with no eco-toxicity to the soil, plants, or microorganisms involved in the process. An important characteristic of both Eco Film® and Eco Works® is that neither relies on biodegradability additives for compostability.

Cortec's DIN CERTCO certification covers the following Eco Film® and Eco Works® products:

- Compostable Film (reg # 7P0090)
- Compostable Waste Bags (reg # 7P0091)
- Compostable Shopping Bags (reg # 7P0343)

Eco Film® is a replacement for traditional non-degradable films such as low and high density polyethylenes. The film can be made into waste disposal or shopping bags and has been used in waste diversion programs by eco-conscious entities. It has good shelf stability and was even used as a more durable compostable packaging alternative for a chemical company who experienced spills with previous packaging.

Eco Works® film or bags are certified compostable products that are also biobased. They contain biodegradable polyesters including an annually renewable biopolymer source derived from plant sugars. The film or bags can be manufactured with a range of 5-45% biobased content and formulated to meet varying flexibility or rigidity requirements.

Environmental consciousness takes many forms at Cortec® Corporation, whether it be high performance water-based anti-corrosion coatings, Eco-Air® bag-on-valve spray cans, or simply safer VpCI® products and processes that reduce the use of hazardous materials and their impact on the environment. The DIN CERTCO certification of Eco Film® and Eco Works® is just one more example of Cortec's hard work to offer a versatile range of environmentally friendly options to its customers.

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