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Recyclable VCI Moisture-Barrier Paper: A New Addition to Cortec's USDA Certified Biobased Product Portfolio!

EcoShield® VpCI®-144 is one of the latest additions to Cortec's growing portfolio of over 30 USDA Certified Biobased Products. EcoShield® VpCI®-144 can now display a unique USDA label showing it contains 69% USDA certified biobased content. This is the portion of the product that comes from a renewable source, such as plant, animal, marine, or forestry feedstocks. EcoShield® VpCI®-144 also surpasses the minimum biobased



content needed to meet mandatory purchasing requirements for federal agencies and their contractors buying corrosion preventatives under the USDA BioPreferred® Program.*



"We applaud Cortec® Corporation for earning the USDA Certified Biobased Product label," said Kate Lewis, USDA BioPreferred® Program. "Products from Cortec® Corporation are contributing to an ever-expanding

marketplace that adds value to renewable agriculture commodities, creates jobs in rural communities, and decreases our reliance on petroleum."

EcoShield® VpCI®-144 is the premium moisture barrier VCI (vapor corrosion inhibitor) paper in the industry, providing protection against rust and corrosion on ferrous and non-ferrous metals. The product also provides resistance to grease and oil. It can be used to wrap or interleave metal products for storage or shipment. Typical applications include protection of

- Coils, wire reels, plate, and bar
- Metal forgings and die castings
- Springs, bearings, fasteners, tubes, pipes
- Finished engines, machinery, equipment, tools, hardware, appliances, and motors
- Electrical and electronic components, controls, and PCBs



In addition to its biobased content, EcoShield® VpCI®-144 demonstrates a high level of environmental responsibility due to its water-based barrier coating. Historically, polyethylene and wax coatings have been used to seal porous paper to provide a moisture barrier and/or moisture-vapor barrier. When coated this way the resulting paper product poses an environmental challenge because it cannot be recycled through normal channels. EcoShield® VpCI®-144 is a competitive environmentally friendly alternative because it is fully recyclable/repulpable.

Learn more about the benefits of EcoShield® VpCI®-144 by visiting:

https://www.cortecvci.com/Publications/PDS/EcoShield_VpCI-144_VpCI-144_Super_Barrier.pdf

*For more information about the BioPreferred® Program, please visit: <https://www.biopreferred.gov>.



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