

Press Release

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The PE100+ Association published the updated "PE100+ Association's Positive List of Materials". In total, 15 Polyethylene PE100 pipe (resin) products from five member companies met the PE100+ requirements and, as a consequence, are published on that list.

There are two additional products added into this list compared with the last issue. Now, four member companies are offering the complete range of products: black, orange, and blue. This fact, as well as the ongoing product development in PE100 products, has resulted in an improved platform of product offering towards the PE pipe industry. The released Positive List of Materials is valid until February 29th, 2004.

Product	Manufacturer
Finathene® XS 10 H (blue)	ATOFINA S.A.
Finathene® XS 10 B (black)	ATOFINA S.A.
Finathene® XS 10 Orange YCF	ATOFINA S.A.
Hostalen® CRP 100 black	Basell Polyolefine GmbH
Hostalen® CRP 100 blue	Basell Polyolefine GmbH
Hostalen® CRP 100 orange/yellow	Basell Polyolefine GmbH
Borstar® HE3490-LS (black)	Borealis AB
Borstar® HE3492-LS (orange)	Borealis AB
Borstar® HE3494-LS (blue)	Borealis AB
ELTEX® TUB 121 (black)	BP Solvay Polyethylene
ELTEX® TUB 125 N2025 (orange)	BP Solvay Polyethylene
ELTEX® TUB 124 N2025 (blue)	BP Solvay Polyethylene
ELTEX® TUB 121 N3000 (black)	BP Solvay Polyethylene
VESTOLEN® A 6060 R (black)	SABIC Polyolefine GmbH
VESTOLEN® A 6060 R (blue)	SABIC Polyolefine GmbH

The official list can be downloaded on the PE100+ Association's website www.pe100plus.net

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Note to editors:

The PE100+ Association

Founded on the 24th of February, 1999, the PE100+ Association is an industry organisation of several polyethylene (PE) manufacturers. Its objective is to guarantee consistent quality at the highest level in the production and the use of PE100 pipe material. By monitoring the most critical properties of enhanced requirements, it is able to issue the "PE100+ Association Positive List of Materials" on a regular basis. The Association also aims to create a marketing platform to promote the use of PE piping in general.

As the goal is to set higher performance standards than those founded in CEN/ISO, more demanding tests are carried out by independent, internationally-respected laboratories, namely Creep Rupture Strength, Stress Crack Resistance, and Resistance to Crack Propagation. At present, following companies are members of the PE100+ Association: ATOFINA, Basell Polyolefine, BP Solvay Polyethylene, Borealis, and SABIC.