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Dear Partner,

Withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union

As you are now aware, the withdrawal from the European has been delayed until 31st October 2019.

It still remains unclear as to what the final agreement / relationship with the European Union or its member states will be.

However, Matrix Plastics Limited continues to evaluate all scenarios and is confident that our level of service and continuity of supply will be maintained to our customers and partners around the world.

We are working closely with our suppliers, the majority of which are headquartered within the European Union to evaluate the possibilities available to us depending on the scenario we find ourselves in next March.

Our transport partners are looking at all options with regards customs clearances and the movement of goods cross border with their European Union based associates.

Until confirmation is received on the deal the British government will (or will not) make with the European Union it is very difficult to confirm what is or is not possible, but Matrix Plastics Limited will do everything possible to maintain supply and the service levels expected from a global supplier of colour compounds and masterbatches.

There are still many unknowns at this time and we may not be able to anticipate all of the potential issues we will face on 31st October 2019. However we strongly suggest that you consider your own 'no-deal' strategies to reduce the potential impact BREXIT may have on your own business.

Matrix Plastics can build 'security stocks' of your regularly purchased products to minimize the risk of any disruption that a no-deal BREXIT could cause.

The European Commission have issued a fact sheet that can be found online and which may be of use and the team at Matrix Plastics are on hand to support or discuss any production and stock questions you may have.

We thank you for your continued support and assure you of our best attention at all times.

Yours Faithfully



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No-Deal BREXIT planning

Raw Materials

Matrix worked closely with its suppliers to bring extra essential raw materials in before the end of March 2019 to help ensure we continued to provide the service you are accustomed to from your colour compound and masterbatch partner. We shall continue to do this until 31st October 2019

Duties, Tariffs and Customs

With no-deal the UK will become a third country at the end of October 2019. If no agreement is made we have to consider the impact:

WTO rules are activated with cross border taxes being imposed.
Customs export declarations will apply and may be complex and lengthy.
Customs import declarations will apply and may be complex and lengthy.

We are working closely with our transport partners across Europe to ensure we are as prepared as possible to ship your products as quickly and efficiently as possible.

REACH

Products we manufacture will still be subject to REACH obligations if shipped to the EU and also be subject to possibly new UK legislation. Matrix Plastics is fully REACH compliant and is ready for any legislation changes that may be imposed by the UK government.