



May 27, 2009

Purchasing Manager

Dear Customer,

We are contacting you, in writing, to notify you of a product change.

Product Description: **Potassium Acetate, Extra Pure, Ph Eur, BP, E261**

Item No: **1.04820 (all product sizes)**

Change: Merck KGaA has advised us of a minimum shelf life change on lots manufactured after February 1, 2008. The shelf life will now be reduced to 12 months instead of 60 months. This change reflects new stability study results.

Please be informed, there has been no change in the manufacturing process or quality of this product.

Please contact our customer service department if you need further assistance.

Our sincere apologies for any inconvenience this may cause you, and remain committed to providing you with the highest quality products and service.

Thank you for your continued support of EMD Chemicals' products.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Schoellkopf", written in a cursive style.

Joseph Schoellkopf
Quality Assurance Manager

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