



The Dow Chemical Company
Midland, MI 48674
U.S.A.

June 5, 2008

Re: Notice of Force Majeure / Excused Performance – Caustic Soda

Dear Dow Customer:

The purpose of this letter is to advise you that, due to circumstances beyond our control, The Dow Chemical Company (“Dow”), is unable to supply your company with full quantities of Caustic Soda pursuant to the contract in place between our companies (“Contract”). We currently estimate that shipments will be reduced by approximately 10% for a minimum of three months. Dow intends to keep you informed of any increase or decrease in this estimate as well as the duration of these circumstances.

This situation arose in connection with an incident that occurred May 30 (an unplanned premature equipment failure at one of our production units). This incident has compounded the effect of other unavoidable operational and equipment disruptions which we have successfully managed to date without interrupting supply to our customers. Now, these events (beyond our control) have created a situation that will impact supply for at least 90 days. Dow is using all commercially reasonable means to address this and to resume normal supply as soon as possible.

In accordance with Contract terms, under these circumstances we will allocate the supply of caustic soda solution 50% fairly and reasonably. Your account manager will contact you as soon as possible to discuss your allocation volume and to explore other options for addressing your needs.

Dow regrets this situation and thanks you for your continued patience during this difficult period.

Sincerely,

Cristi Stiers

Global Marketing Director
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