GC3 Roundtable

Renewable and Sustainable Esters















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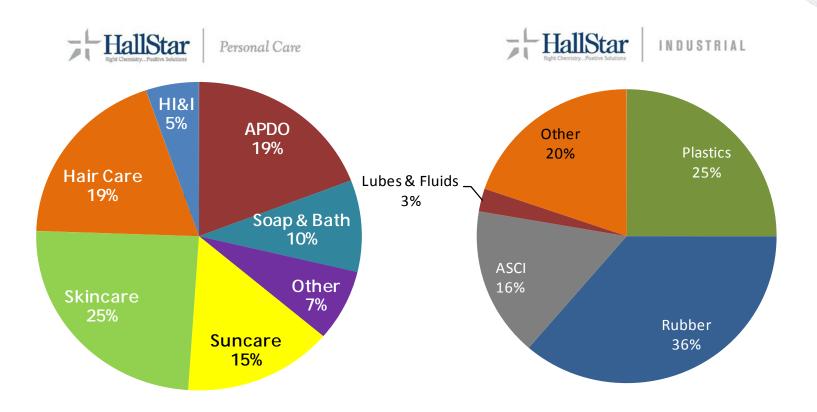
HALLSTAR COMPANY PROFILE

- Privately held rapidly growing mid-market specialty chemical ingredients supplier
- Providing customized solutions through innovation and technical expertise
- → Global Facilities:
 - Headquarters in Chicago
 - * Manufacturing in US and Italy
 - * Sales in Asia, Europe, South America and US
 - → R&D in US and Italy

- Bring innovative solutions to customers based on our expertise in ester chemistry, polymer science, and photostabilization
- ***** Core Competencies
 - * Esterification chemistry
 - Polymer material modification and optimization
 - Photostabilization sciences
 - * Nature derived solutions
 - * Anti-aging sciences



MARKETS SERVED



43 % of revenue

57 % of revenue



RENEWABLE ESTERS AND PHTHALATE ALTERNATIVES.

- Several monomeric and polymeric esters based on renewable raw materials have been developed
- → Biopolymer modification-initial development PLA, PHA, PSM
- Traditional polymers also can utilize this technology
 Thermoplastics and Elastomers
- Phthalate Alternatives
 Synthetic and Renewable

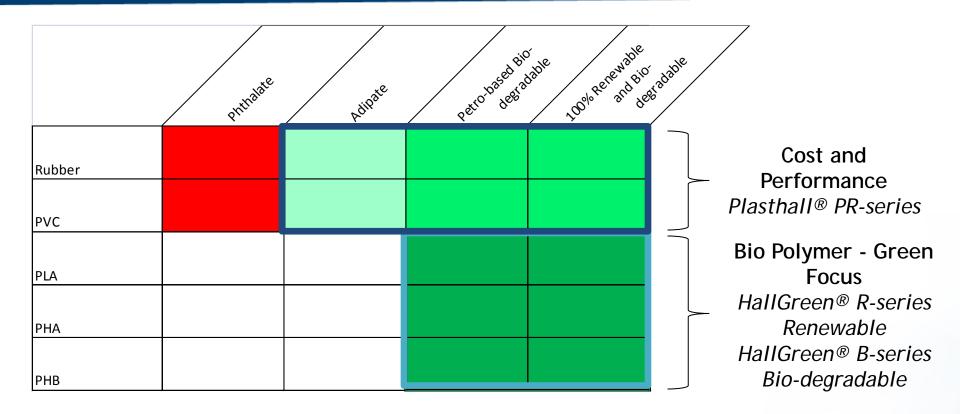


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- The following HallStar products earned the USDA Certified Biobased Product Label:
- HALLGREEN® R-3020 with 100% biobased content
- HALLGREEN® IM-8830 with 38% biobased content
- → HALLGREEN® R-8010 with 99% biobased content
- HALLGREEN® R-9010 with 100% biobased content
- PLASTHALL ® PR-A610 with 100% biobased content



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BARRIERS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Barriers

- Pricing-mainly due to available raw materials
- Regulatory-cost of getting TOSCA, FDA, USP, REACH registrations, especially for our size company
- Capacity-infrastructure for phthalates well established globally but minimal capacity for renewable esters
- Lack of viability of a variety renewable raw materials to make polymer grade esters
- Outside EU no other legislative bans or restrictions on phthalate esters

Opportunities

- LEED Green Building Standard-driving wire & cable, adhesives and wall covering compounders to renewable content
- EU directive to discontinue certain phthalates
- Composting and biodegradable plastics

