Mohawk Finishing Products Division of RPM Wood Finishes Group, Inc.

Memo

To: The Mohawk Sales Team

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Re: Fabric Guard Fabric Treatment – Fabric Guard Protector / Leather Protector - Leather

Guard Protector Reformulation

Mohawk has discontinued M103-0201 Fabric Guard Fabric Treatment and the M850-10064 Leather Protector effective today.

This change was necessary to be compliant with new regulations from California. On December 27th, 2022, we will no longer be able to produce or distribute protectants with PFAS (per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances) chemicals in them. PFAS chemicals resist oil, heat, stains, greases, and water and are often used in these types of protectors but are being regulated out due to potential exposure issues.

The R&D team in Hudson has developed new products that are PFAS free to accommodate these changes. Alternative names and part numbers are **M103-0202 Fabric Guard Protector** and **M850-10034 Leather Guard Protector**. The new formulas work well but they will not perform as well the previous formulas due to the elimination of the PFAS. Our competition will be under the same regulation changes and will need their formulas altered as well.