

CLEANING LABORATORY EVALUATION SUMMARY

SCL #: 2001

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Experimenters: Jason Marshall

ClientType: Electronics Manufacturer

ProjectNumber: Project #1

Substrates: Ceramics

PartType: Coupon

Contaminants: Abrasive, Coatings, Waxes, Phthalates

Cleaning Methods: Immersion/Soak

Analytical Methods: Gravimetric

Purpose: To evaluate to additional cleaners on all five contaminants

Experimental Procedure: The aqueous based cleaner was diluted to 5% with DI water in five separate 250 ml beakers. The hydrocarbon based product was used at 100%. Each beaker was heated to 120 F on a hot plate. Thirty preweighed coupons were coated with each contaminant in sets of three. After the contaminants dried, a second weighing was performed. Three coupons with the same contaminant were immersed into a heated beaker and allowed to soak for 10 minutes. Once the time expired, coupons were rinsed in tap water at 120 F for 30 seconds and dried using a heat gun for 1 minute. Final clean weights were recorded once the coupons were completely dried.

A-Wax
B-Aremco Crystalbond 509 Phthalate; coating
C-Aremco Crystalbond 590
D-Nalco Chemical Co Nalco 2350 Polishing Slurry
E-Saint Gobain Industrial Ceramics Water Based Alumina (1344-28-1, 102-71-6)

Results: The Amberclean solution was successful in removing the two slurries, removing over 97%. Limited cleaning was observed for the wax and the 509 coating. Even though the efficiency was only 4% for the Crystalbond 590, the Amberclean product did start to dissolve the contaminant, causing the clear amberclean to become a brown and cloudy. Uni Clear II was very successful in cleaning the wax from the coupons, 99.6%, and only moderately successful on the two slurries, removing between 60 and 80%. This product was did not remove any of the two Crystalbond contaminants. Table 1 lists the efficiencies for the two cleaners evaluated during this trial.

Table 1. Efficiencies

| Cleaner | Amberclean 527 L | | | Average | Std Dev |
|---------|------------------|-------|-------|---------|---------|
| Wax | 2.99 | -0.21 | -0.46 | 0.77 | 1.92 |
| 509 | -0.79 | 0.35 | 0.11 | -0.11 | 0.60 |
| 590 | 5.64 | 3.90 | 2.54 | 4.03 | 1.55 |
| Nalco | 97.22 | 97.27 | 97.61 | 97.37 | 0.22 |
| Alumina | 99.87 | 99.79 | 99.87 | 99.85 | 0.04 |
| Cleaner | Uni Clear II | | | Average | Std Dev |
| Wax | 99.60 | 99.57 | 99.75 | 99.64 | 0.10 |
| 509 | -0.66 | -0.57 | -1.05 | -0.76 | 0.26 |
| 590 | -0.59 | -1.43 | -1.74 | -1.25 | 0.59 |
| Nalco | 55.30 | 46.98 | 87.58 | 63.29 | 21.45 |
| Alumina | 76.86 | 81.26 | 83.42 | 80.51 | 3.34 |

Summary:

| Substrates: | | Ceramics | | | |
|-------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Contaminants: | | Abrasive, Coatings, Waxes, Phthalates | | | |
| Company Name: | Product Name: | Conc.: | Efficiency: | Effective: | Observations: |
| Innovative Organics Inc | Amberclean 527 L | 5 | 97.37 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | nalco |
| Innovative Organics Inc | Amberclean 527 L | 5 | 99.87 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | alumina |
| Innovative Organics Inc | Amberclean 527 L | 5 | 0.77 | <input type="checkbox"/> | wax |
| Innovative Organics Inc | Amberclean 527 L | 5 | -0.11 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 509 |
| Innovative Organics Inc | Amberclean 527 L | 5 | 4.03 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 590 |
| Universal Photonics | Uni Clear II | 100 | 99.64 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | wax |
| Universal Photonics | Uni Clear II | 100 | -0.76 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 509 |

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| Universal Photonics | Uni Clear II | 100 | -1.25 | <input type="checkbox"/> | 590 |
| Universal Photonics | Uni Clear II | 100 | 63.29 | <input type="checkbox"/> | nalco |
| Universal Photonics | Uni Clear II | 100 | 80.51 | <input type="checkbox"/> | alumina |

Conclusion:

Neither product was capable of cleaning all of the contaminants. One product, Uni Clear II was successful on the wax and the other solution, Amberclean 527 L was successful on the two slurries.