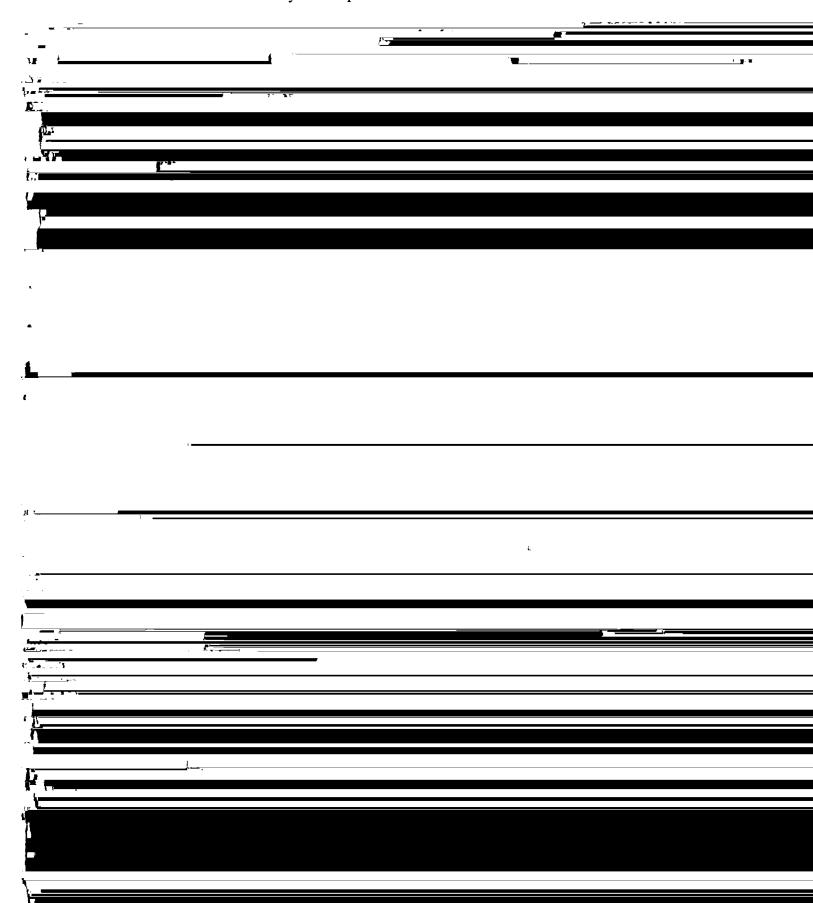


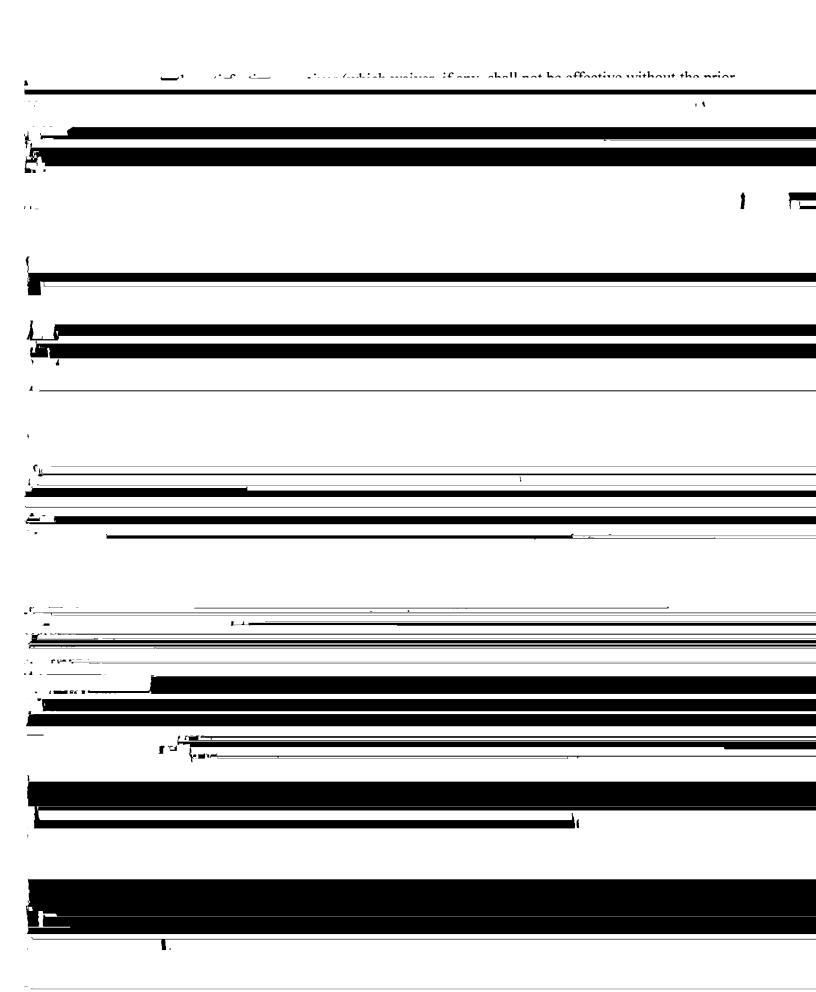
This Application describes the principal terms of the Stock Purchase Agreement by which Solvay America will divest the Solvay Fluoropolymers Business and the Solvay VF₂ Joint Venture Business to Dyneon and explains how the Proposed Divestiture satisfies the purposes of the Order.

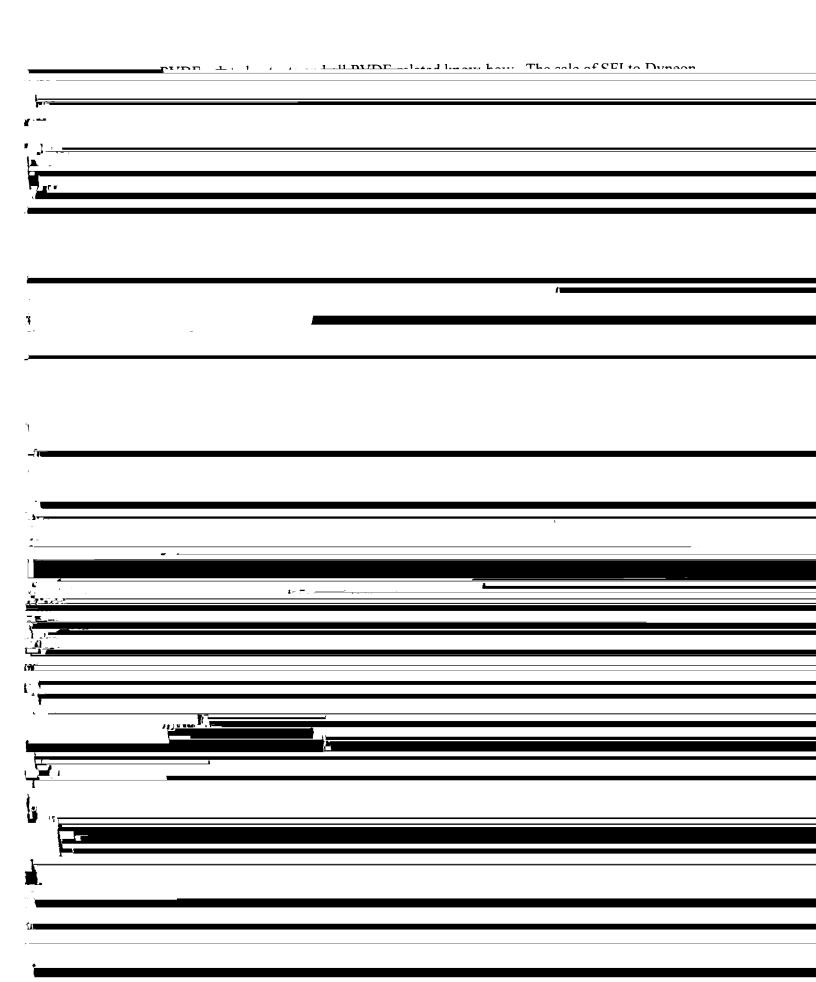
II. The Divestiture Agreements

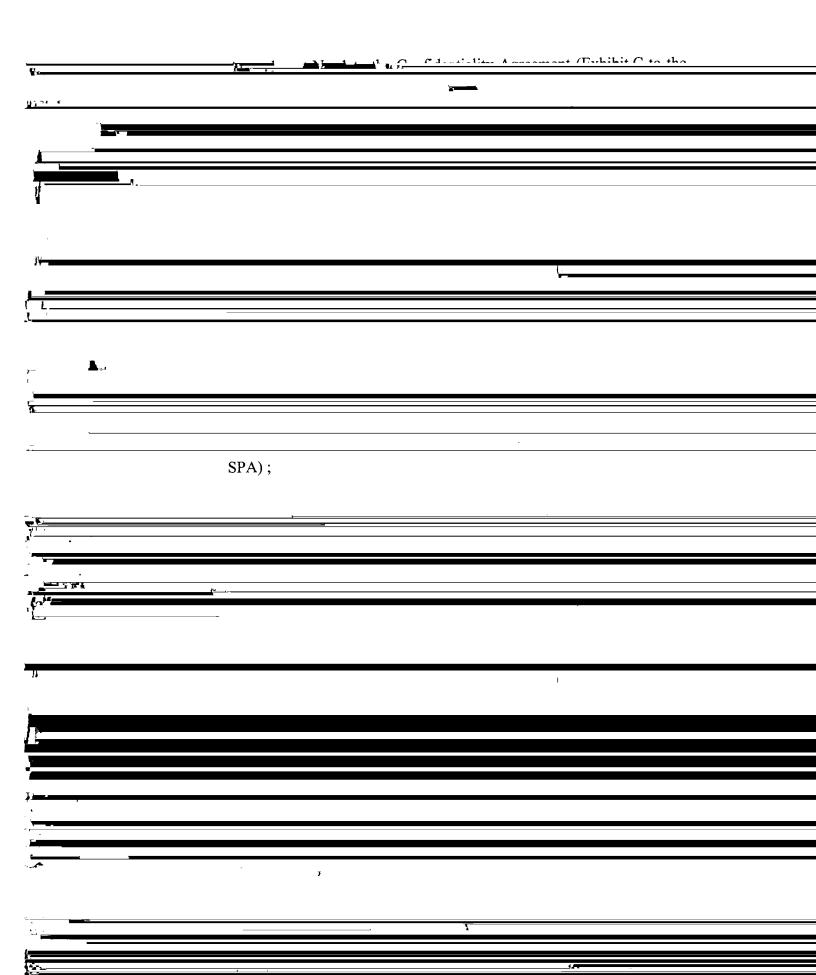
Solvay requests that the full text of the Divestiture Agreements and any

Solvay also requests confidential treatment of the Subject Information

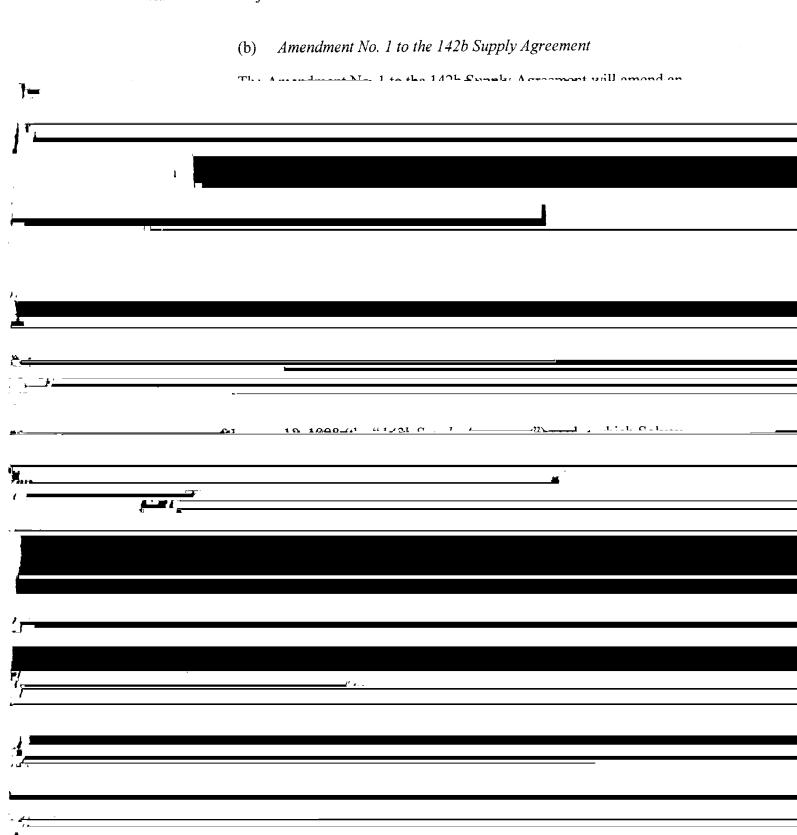


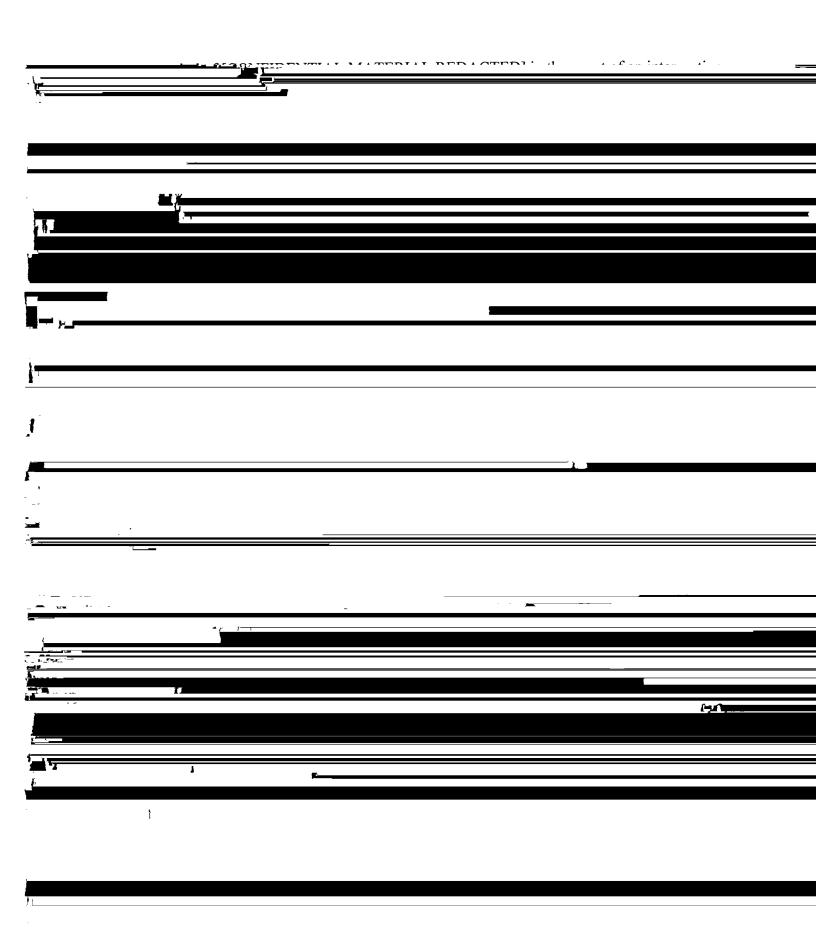






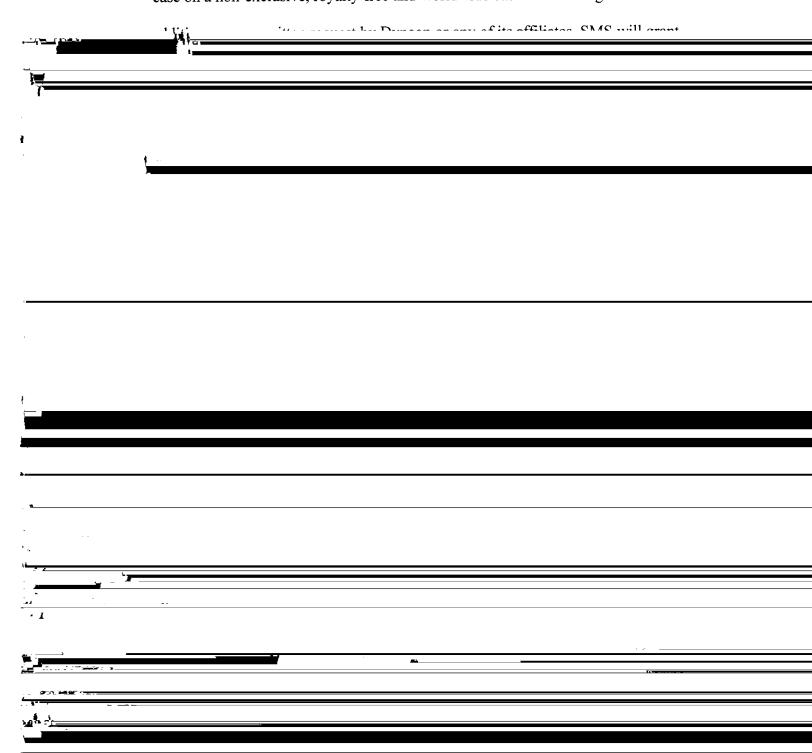
Parties as to the interpretation, negotiation, or alleged breach of agreements in connection with the Alventia joint venture.



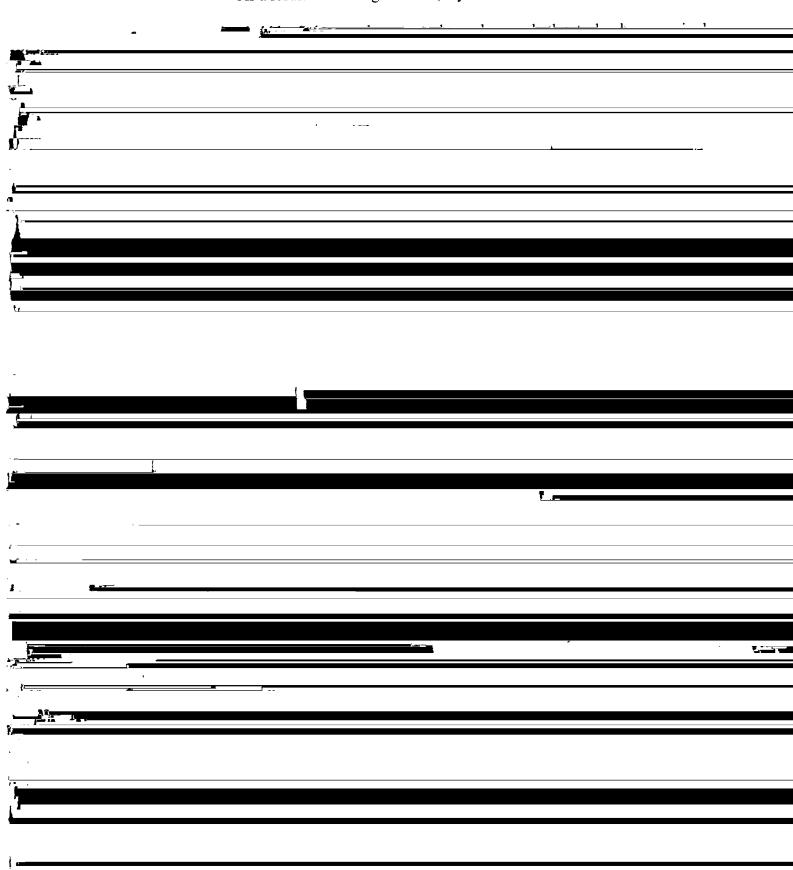


(h) Non-exclusive PVDF Technology License Agreement and Non-exclusive VF₂ Technology License Agreement and Amendment to License Agreement

Under the Non-exclusive PVDF Technology License Agreement, SMS will license to Dyneon all PVDF-related patents and all PVDF-related know-how, in each case on a non-exclusive, royalty-free and worldwide basis with the right to sublicense. In



As a result of these agreements, Dyneon and Alventia will receive all

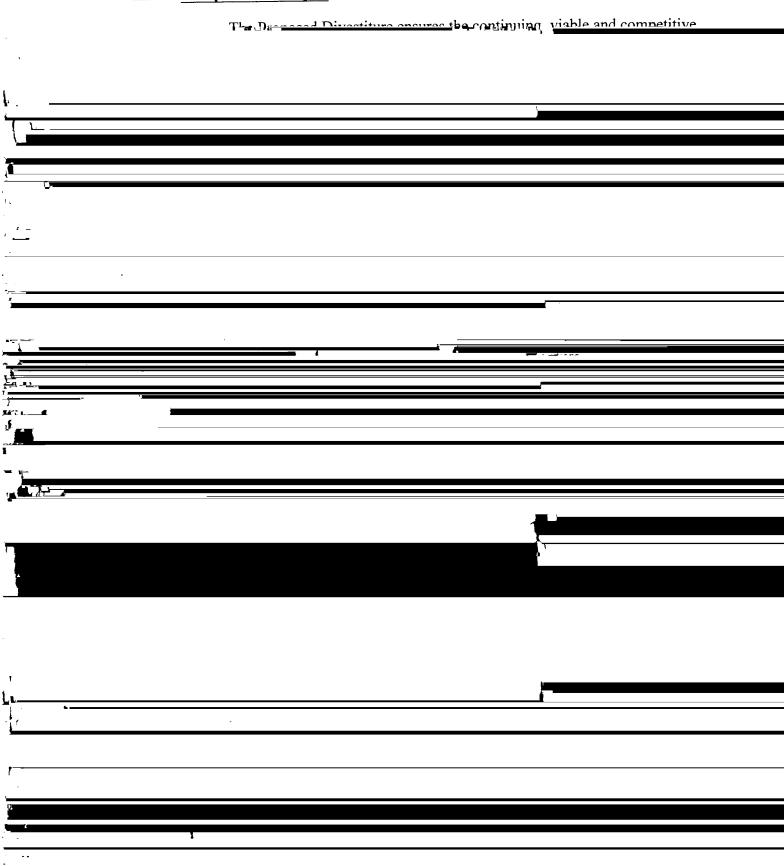


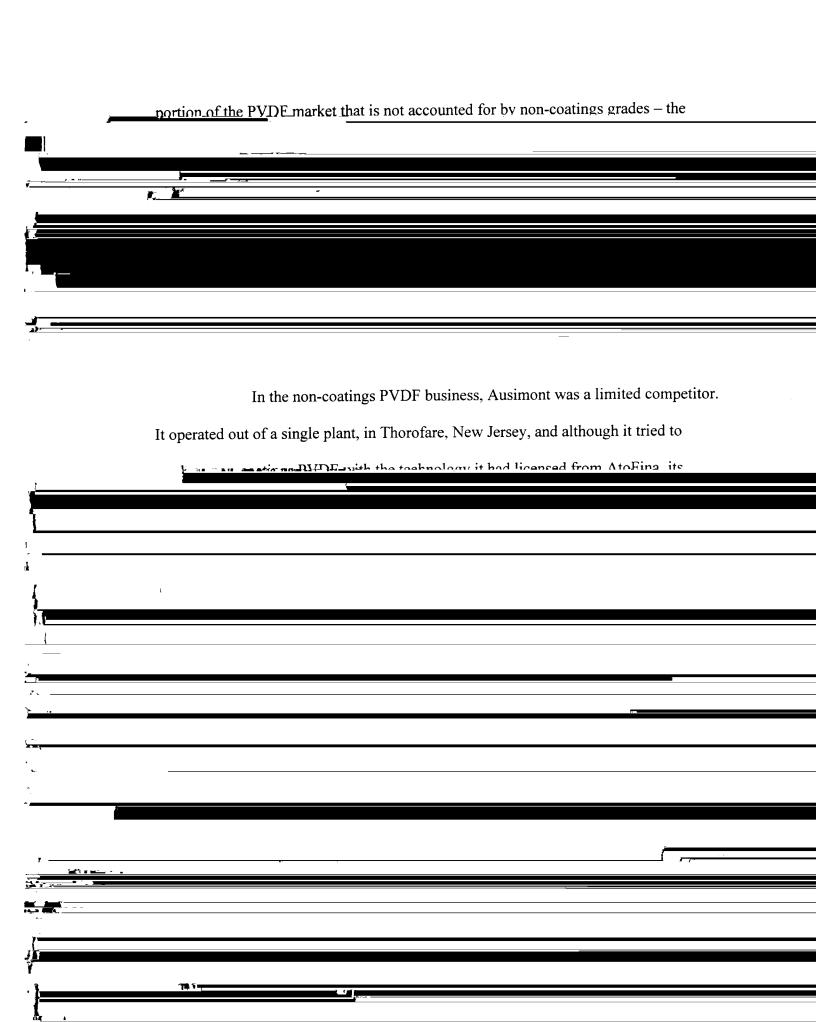
two years following the Closing Date at a rate equal to [CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL REDACTED], pursuant to the Technical Assistance Services Agreement – PVDF Business, and to Alventia, pursuant to the Technical Assistance Services Agreement – VF₂ Joint Venture Business.

Section II.D.5 of the Order requires that such technical and research assistance will be provided by Solvay at its Actual Cost, which is defined in paragraph

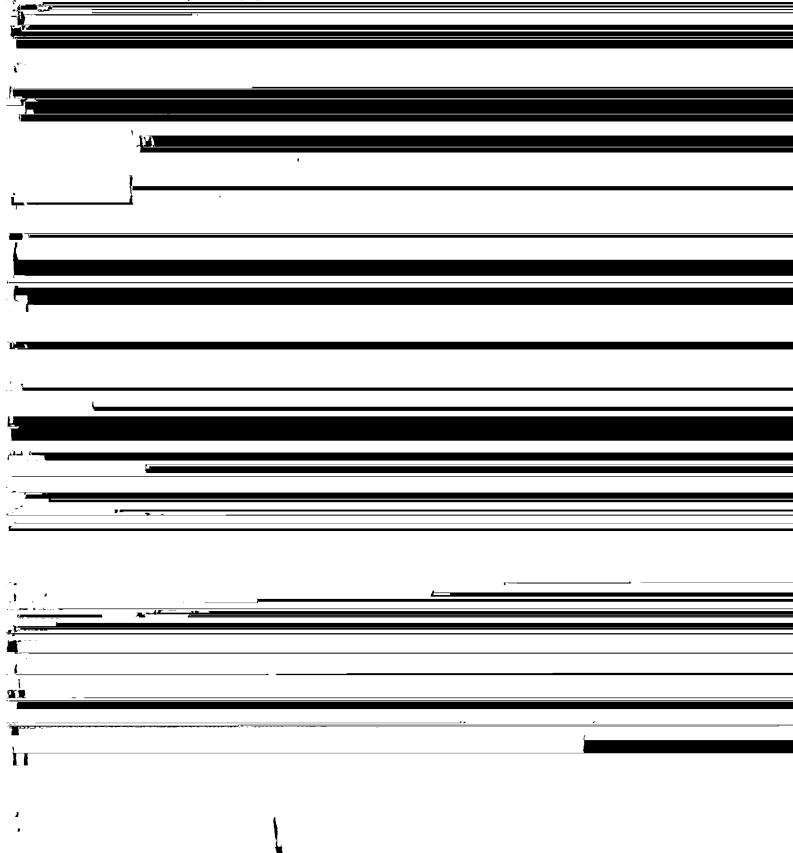


III. Competition Analysis





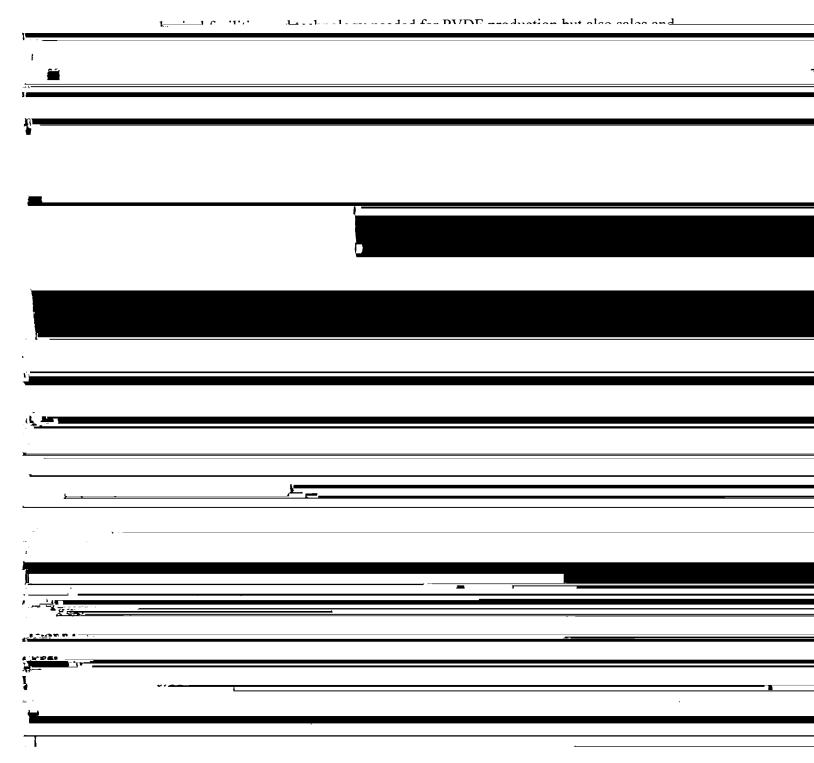
market conditions warrant, to a size that is equal to the Thorofare plant that Ausimont



	the volume of non-coatings PVDF sales that Ausimont had made and could reasonably be
	expected to make from Thorofare. The Proposed Divestiture, therefore, will give Dyneon
	a position in the non-coatings PVDF market that is substantially stronger than the
1 (and a company would attain if it were to try to compete with Solvay and AtoFina
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Thus, the Proposed Divestiture will give Dyneon long-term security of the essential raw material for manufacturing PVDF.

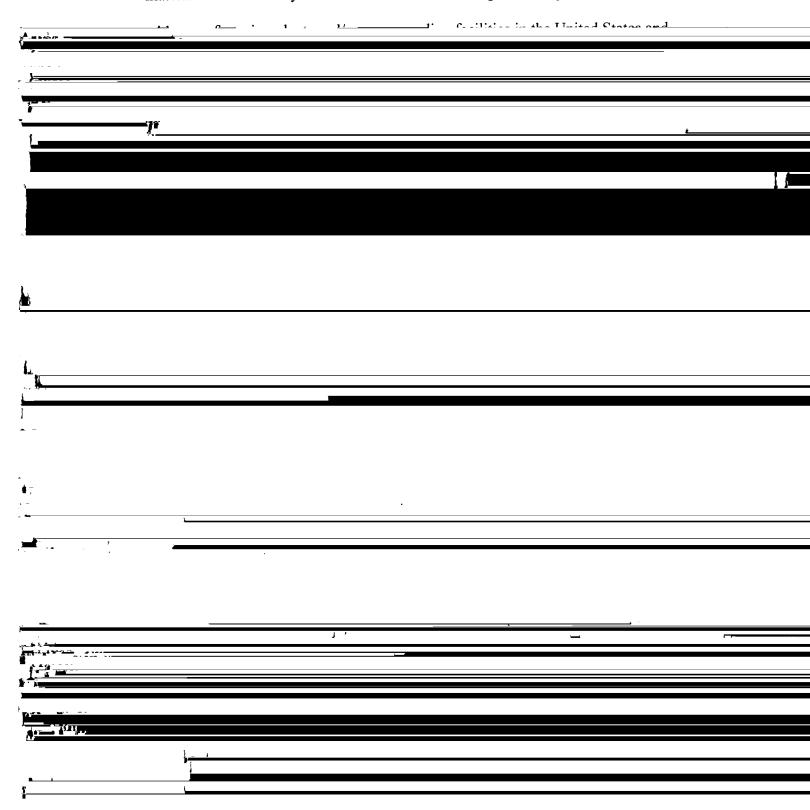
 $\label{eq:def:Dyneon} Dyneon \ has \ substantial \ expertise \ in \ fluoropolymers, \ and \ other \ fluorinated$ $materials \ also \ made \ from \ VF_2 \ monomer, \ and \ will \ acquire \ from \ Solvay \ not \ only \ the$



Solvay (from Tavaux) or AtoFina. Dyneon will also undoubtedly compete for Thorofare's customers, to the full extent that Decatur can provide Thorofare customers with substitute products. An autlined helow Dunean necesses the financial resources proven

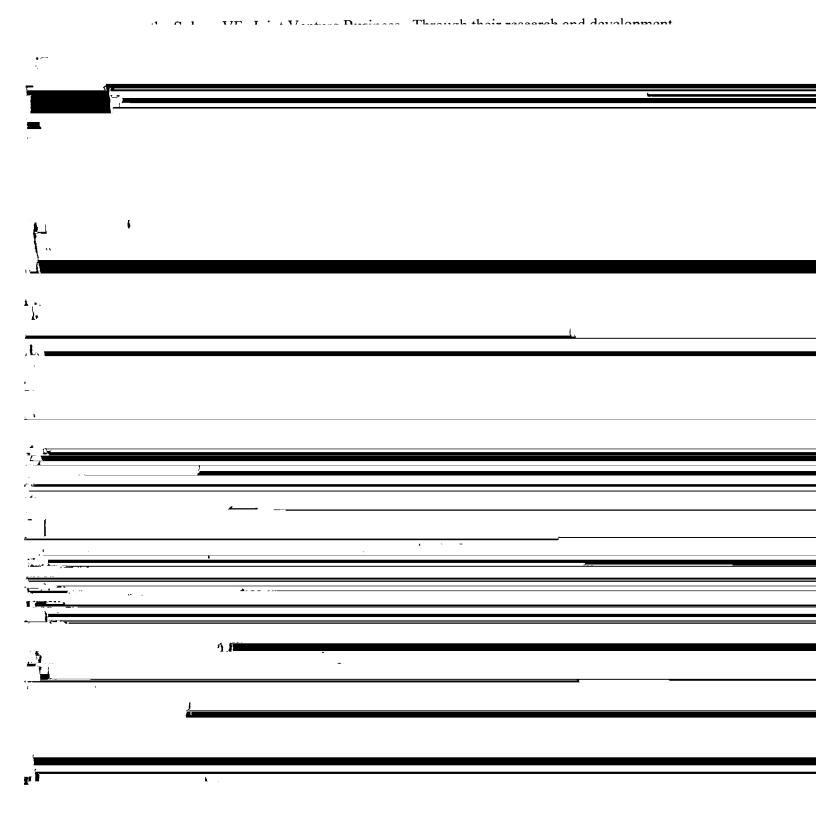
B. Description of Business

Dyneon is a wholly owned subsidiary of 3M and is part of 3M's "specialty materials" division. Dyneon is one of the world's largest fluoropolymers manufacturers,



C. Financial Information

Dyneon, together with 3M, has the financial resources to ensure the continuing, viable and competitive operation of the Solvay Fluoropolymers Business and



Transactions between Dyneon and Solvay E.

To Solvay's knowledge, neither Dyneon nor 3M has any shareholding in

Solvay or vice versa, and there are no ioint ventures between the two groups other than Alventia. There will be certain commercial links between Dyneon and and Marie and Records of the discontinue of the Salvay Fluoronalymers Rusiness and