

Next-Generation Matting Agents for Highly Durable Waterborne Coatings

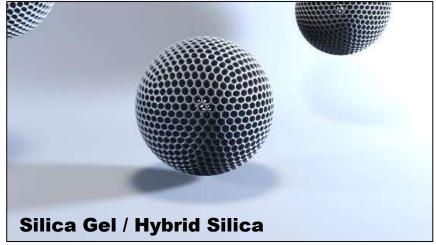
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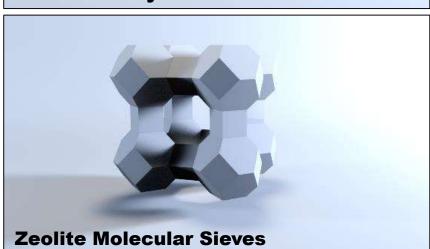
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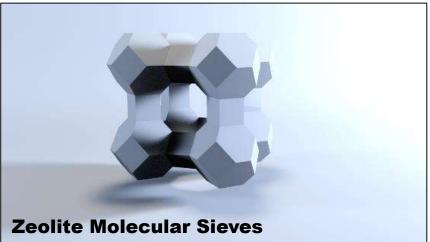


Synthetic Amorphous Silicas and Silicates













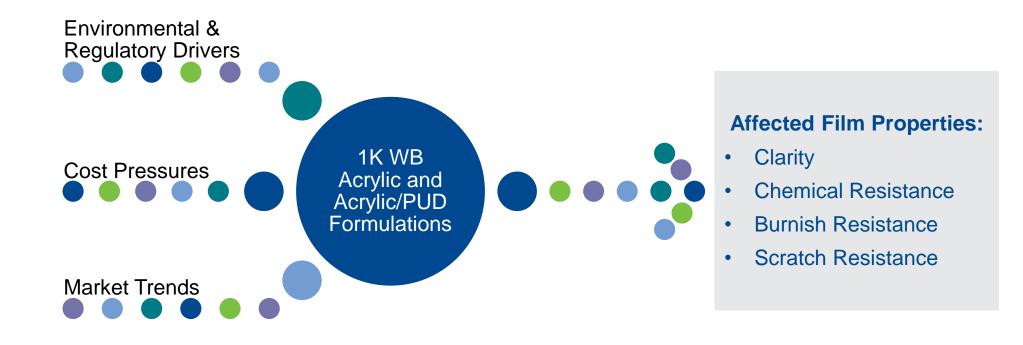








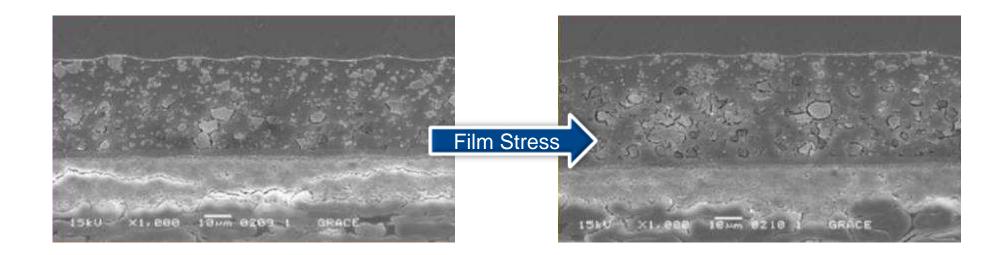




Initial Focus of Development:

Matting Agents for Waterborne Industrial Wood Coatings with Improved Film Properties





- Non-film forming materials typically deteriorate film integrity
- Applied stress results in degradation of visual properties
- The organic:inorganic interface is the defect site



Initial Offerings from a Platform of Products

NEW SILICA SERIES:

Based on a proprietary combination of silica gel particle engineering and optimized organic treatment

NEW SILICA 1

- Excellent Matting Efficiency
- •• Excellent Chemical Resistance
- •• High Transparency
- •• High Burnishing Resistance

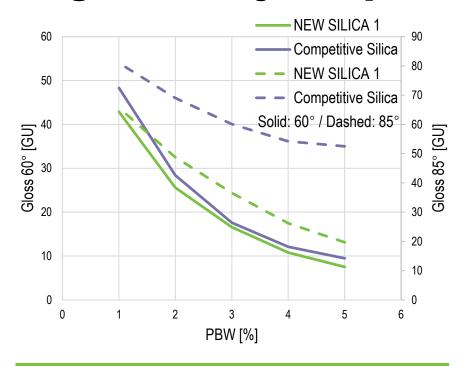
NEW SILICA 2

- Good Matting Efficiency
- Superior Chemical Resistance
- Superior Transparency
- Excellent Burnishing Resistance

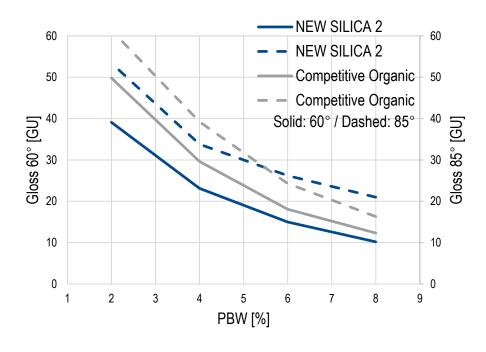
Matting Agent	Chemistry	Modification	d ₅₀ (μm)
NEW SILICA 1	Silica gel	Organic	7.0
NEW SILICA 2	Silica gel	Organic	7.0
Competitor Silica	Thermal Silica (based on fumed silica)	-	9.5
Competitor Organic	Micronized wax	-	8.0



Matting Efficiency Comparison



Relative to the competitive silica, NEW SILICA 1 shows comparable matting efficiency at 60° and a significant reduction at 85°

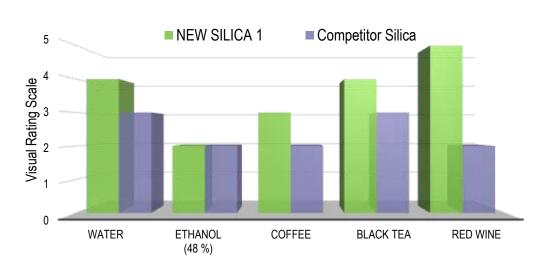


Relative to the competitive organic, NEW SILICA 2 shows slightly improved matting efficiency at 60° and comparable results at 85°



Chemical resistance on wooden substrates (walnut / maple)





Testing stains include: Vinegar, Na₂CO₃, Ethanol (96%), Water, Ethanol (48%), Coffee, Black Tea, Ketchup, Mustard, and Red Wine

Improvement observed in resistance against:



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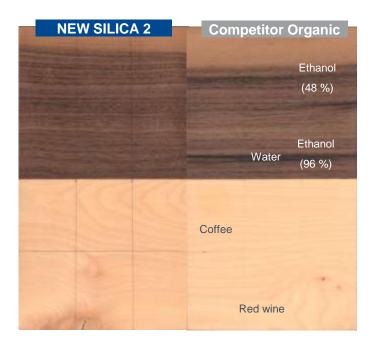
Water Coffee

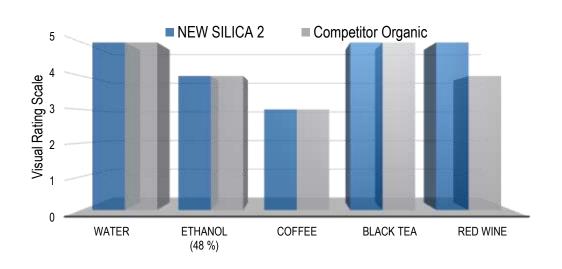
e Black Tea

Red wine



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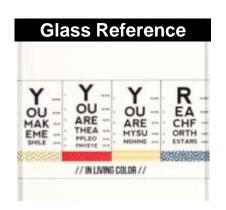




Visual Clarity Evaluation











NEW SILICA 1 is comparable in visual clarity to competitive silica offering, while NEW SILICA 2 excels relative to micronized wax offering



Improvement in Burnish Resistance





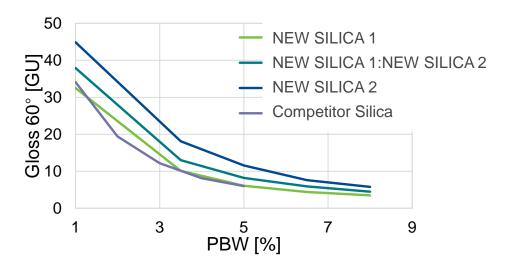


Competitor Silica

The NEW SILICA products demonstrate improved burnish resistance as well as enhanced scratch resistance relative to competitive offerings



The Added Benefit of Blending



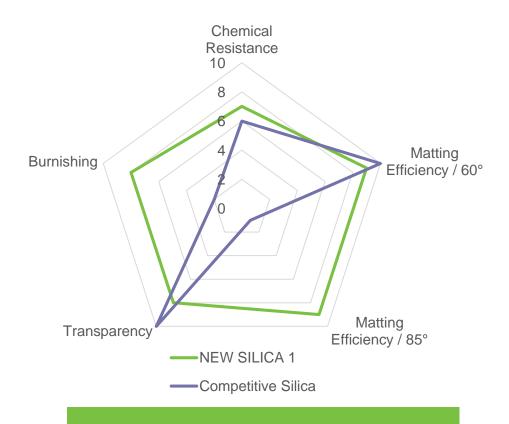


Blending provides flexibility to the formulator to dial in the desired balance of properties

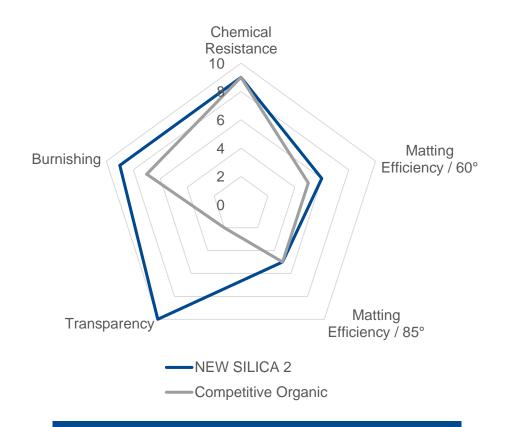
Best	Matting	Chemical Resistance	Transparency
NEW SILICA 1		•	•
NEW SILICA 2		*	*
NEW SILICA 1:NEW SILICA 2	•		
Competitor Silica			0

Overall Value Proposition for 1K Acrylic Systems





NEW SILICA 1 offers a stronger balance of performance relative to an industry standard silica



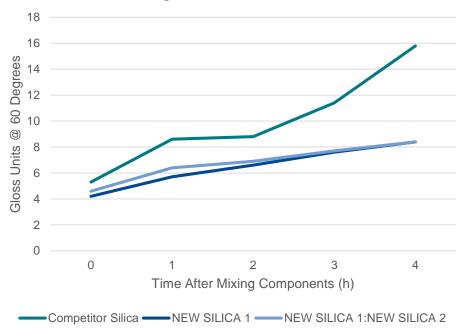
NEW SILICA 2 provides enhanced transparency and burnish resistance relative to micronized wax additive



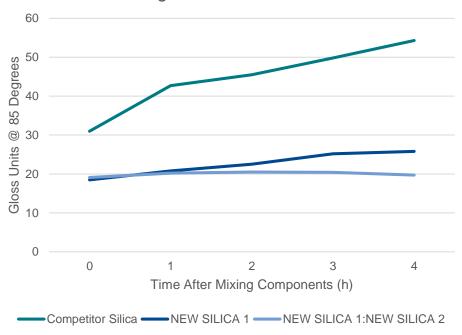
Matting Efficiency and Gloss Stability

Matting Agent	Loading	
Competitor Silica	5%	
NEW SILICA 1	4%	
NEW SILICA 1:NEW SILICA 2	6% (3% AQ800/3% AQ880)	





85 Degree Sheen vs. Pot Life





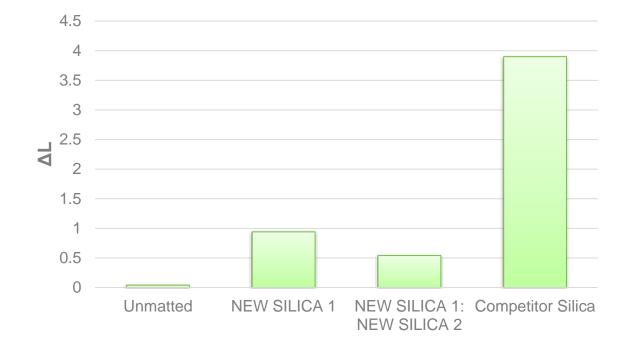
Hot Water Resistance











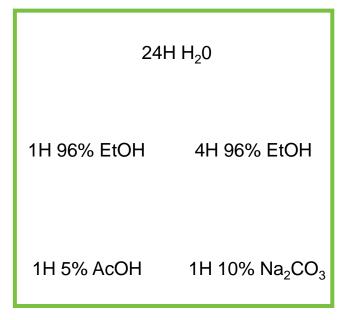


Chemical Resistance









- Improvements in water and acetic acid for both; 4h ethanol for the blend
- Comparable clarity for all samples



Stain Resistance









- Mustard, red wine and black tea were improved for both; coffee improved for the blend
- Mustard was improved over the unmatted control

Overall Value Proposition for 2K WB PU System



- NEW SILICA 1 performed well as a standalone matting agent relative to the competitive grade
- Blending approach was confirmed to provide the formulator options based on desired balance of properties
- Pot life stability was improved for the NEW SILICAS
- 85° sheen was significantly lower than the competitive grade
- Hot water resistance was substantially improved
- Select chemical and stain resistance was improved
- Clarity and metal marking were comparable

Tangential Market Spaces





Car seats | Furniture



Screen printing



Architectural | Consumer goods



Consumer electronics | Automotive interior



Thank you!

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