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Dear Customer,

In this document you will find the explanation of our nomenclature concerning an AFLAS® lot number as it relates to Date of Manufacture of AFLAS pellets. Our order system does not allow Date of Manufacture to be included on the Certificate of Analysis.

Please consider the example - **AFLAS 100S, Lot# S20K002**:

- The first letter of the lot number – “S” represents the last letter of the AFLAS grade as in AFLAS 100S.
- The second and third digits – “20” represent the year of manufacture as in 2020.
- The next letter “K” represents the month of manufacture specifically; A(Jan), B(Feb), C(Mar), D(Apr), E(May), F(Jun), G(Jul), H(Aug), J(Sep), K(Oct), L(Nov), M(Dec). Please notice that the letter “I” is not used. This is to avoid confusion between the letter “I” and the numeral “1”.
- The last three digits are not related to the date of manufacture.

Therefore, the example **Lot# S20K002** means AFLAS 100S, manufactured in 2020, month of October.

The shelf life of AFLAS Fluoroelastomers can be guaranteed by AGC Chemicals for 6 months after date of delivery for unopened packages. However, the properties are not impacted by storage time. Storage and handling facilities should be designed to minimize exposure to extreme temperatures and dusty environments.

Optimal storage temperature is between 0 degrees C and 45 degrees C. The AFLAS material should be kept out of direct sunlight. If possible, the AFLAS material should be kept in its original packaging.

If you require further information, please contact me directly.

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