# AEI SX408:CM401

### Low Density Polyethylene

#### **AEI Compounds Limited**

#### Message:

Silane crosslinkable polyethylene for medium voltage power cable insulation

This is a silane crosslinkable polyethylene compound, curable by exposure to moist conditions and possessing excellent extrusion properties at high output rates. The graft component SX408 is mixed with a crosslinking catalyst masterbatch CM401 generally in the ratio 95:5.

The SX408:CM401 compound has been specifically developed for cables operating up to 36kV. This compound is typically used in conjunction with SX 539 crosslinkable semi-conducting material for conductor and insulation shields. Strippable outer shields are possible using SX528.

General Information					
Features	Crosslinkable				
Uses	Wire and cable applications				
	Medium voltage insulation				
Agency Ratings	EC 1907/2006 (REACH)				
RoHS Compliance	RoHS compliance				
Forms	Particle				
Processing Method	Extrusion				
Physical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		
Density	0.925	g/cm³	BS 2782 620A		
Melt Mass-Flow Rate (MFR) (190°C/2.16 kg)	0.90	g/10 min	Internal method		
Mechanical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		
Tensile Stress	18.0	MPa	IEC 60811-1-1		
Tensile Strain (Break)	350	%	IEC 60811-1-1		
Aging	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		
Change in Tensile Strength (135°C, 168 hr)	4.0	%	IEC 60811-1-2		
Change in Tensile Strain at Break (135°C, 168 hr)	-2.0	%	IEC 60811-1-2		
Thermal	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		
Cold Bend (-70°C)	pass		IEC 60811-1-4		
Thermosetting-Elongation under load, 20N/cm <sup>2 1</sup> (200°C)		%	IEC 60811-2-1		
Power factor-50Hz (23°C)	4.00E-4		IEC 60250		
Head Temperature	170	°C			
Electrical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		
Volume Resistivity (20°C)	> 1.0E+16	ohms·cm	IEC 60502		
Dielectric Strength (20°C)	21	kV/mm	IEC 60243-1		
Relative Permittivity (23°C, 50 Hz)	2.20 IEC 60250		IEC 60250		
Extrusion	Nominal Value	Unit			
Cylinder Zone 1 Temp.	150	°C			

Cylinder Zone 2 Temp.	160	°C	
Cylinder Zone 3 Temp.	170	°C	
Cylinder Zone 4 Temp.	180	°C	
Die Temperature	180	°C	
Extrusion instructions			

Most modern thermoplastic extruders will process SX408:CM401 compounds particularly if a screw suitable for polyethylene extrusion is available.

#### NOTE

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Cure assessment by hot set test (forced cured at 80°C in water)

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