

> APPLICATION BULLETIN

# VERSAFLEX<sup>™</sup> CE TPEs FOR 5G TRANSPARENCY

Rapidly expanding 5G networks are increasing performance requirements across the consumer electronics industry. Device designs are changing to improve high-speed performance and network connectivity to support faster speeds, higher capacity, and lower latencies for customers. Similarly, the cases, accessories, electronic gaskets and grommets for consumer electronics must also adapt to minimize signal interference and better enable high-frequency signal transmission to the latest devices.

Versaflex<sup>™</sup> CE 3140 TPEs are specifically formulated to deliver superior permittivity and low loss performance up to millimeter wave (mmWave) frequencies used for 5G. These 5G transparent TPEs combine the excellent physical properties, aesthetics and UV resistance qualities of traditional TPEs with lower dielectric constant (Dk) and dissipation factor (Df) performance, resulting in an advanced material solution with less signal degradation for next-generation devices.

## **KEY CHARACTERISTICS**

- Enables excellent permittivity and low-loss performance for high-speed signal transmission and connectivity
- Delivers lower Dk and Df performance compared to standard TPEs
- Provides excellent physical properties, UV resistance and aesthetics

## **INDUSTRIES & APPLICATIONS**

Versaflex CE 3140 TPEs are formulated for use in phone cases to minimize signal loss and enable high-speed connectively for 5G devices to deliver a seamless experience for consumers.





### **5G TRANSPARENCY PERFORMANCE**

\*Market benchmark is 2.5 Dk at 37 GHz for compatible phone cases

| GRADE                 | Dk at 40 GHz | Df at 40 GHz |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Versaflex CE 3140-65N | 2.49         | 0.024        |
| Versaflex CE 3140-90N | 2.54         | 0.021        |
| Standard TPE (70A)    | 2.67         | 0.055        |
| Standard TPE (90A)    | 2.83         | 0.038        |

#### **TECHNICAL PROPERTIES**

| CHARACTERISTICS                               | VERSAFLEX CE 3140 | STANDARD TPE |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| 5G Performance at mmWave Frequencies          | Excellent         |              |
| Target Dielectric Constant (<2.5 Dk @ 40 GHz) | Excellent         |              |
| Target Loss Tangent (<0.0200 Df @ 40 GHz)     | Excellent         |              |
| Physical Properties                           | Excellent         | Excellent    |
| UV Resistance                                 | Excellent         | Excellent    |
| Aesthetics                                    | Excellent         | Excellent    |
| Colorability                                  | Excellent         | Excellent    |
| Can Be Overmolded                             | Yes               | Yes          |
| Material Costs                                | \$\$\$            | \$\$         |

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