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## Total Introduces New Polystyrene Grades with Recycled Content

**Houston, August 3, 2012:** Responding to increased demand for sustainable foodservice packaging, Total Petrochemicals and Refining USA, Inc. announces the launch of two new polystyrene grades that contain recycled polystyrene.

Total rePS-5 is a high heat crystal product containing 25 percent recycled polystyrene designed for use in foam meat trays, clamshell containers, and dinnerware including cutlery and injection molded cups. Total rePS-8 is a high impact product containing 20 percent recycled polystyrene designed for thermoformed cups, containers and lids. Both products comply with FDA requirements for food contact. The recycled-content has been validated by UL Environment.

“Polystyrene is one of the best polymers to recycle due to its ease of processing,” according to Ted Harris, Manager of Sustainability. “It has been exciting to see the efforts of suppliers, convertors, recyclers and brand owners result in improved recovery and re-use of polystyrene. Several producers now offer products containing recycled content. This is great news for foodservice providers looking to increase the use of recycled materials”.

Both products are available for commercial sales in cartons, bulk trucks or railcars. For product information, please contact Ted Harris at [ted.harris@total.com](mailto:ted.harris@total.com).

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