



August 1, 2017

Subject: Benzene Free Statement

To whom it may concern,

We certify that the Hydrochloric Acid products provided by Detrex does not contain Benzene.

Benzene is a natural constituent of crude oil and is one of the most elementary petrochemicals derived from crude oil stocks. It is considered an aromatic hydrocarbon.

Benzene contamination is a concern due to the potential carcinogenic nature of the benzene molecule. Outside of exposure to benzene in the workplace environment, individuals are primarily exposed to benzene from three sources; drinking water, cigarette smoke, and soft drinks. None of these products use Hydrochloric Acid in their manufacture.

Detrex Hydrochloric Acid products are not produced from crude oil stocks. Benzene containing ingredients are not intentionally introduced into any of our manufacture, storage, or packaging processes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jim Vence", is written over a blue circular stamp or seal.

Jim Vence
Technical Director
Detrex Chemicals