# Material Replacement: ASTM E595 OUTGAS TESTING

Braskem FL105PP Polypropylene (PP) Filament Braskem FL900PP-CF Carbon Fiber Reinforced Polypropylene (PP) Filamen

### **ASTM E595**

ASTM E595 is a standard test method for total mass loss (TML) and collected volatile condensable materials (CVCM) from outgassing in a vacuum environment. NASA has established requirements that are quoted and used. The most commonly quoted requirement is CVCM < 0.1% and TML < 1%.

#### WHY IS IT CRITICAL

Outgas can be critical in during the use of 3D printing in space or environments under vacuum. In particular, outgassing can effect critical electronics and optical equipment is not managed properly. When volatile compounds evaporate, they eventually will find a place to condense, which can result in surface contamination, corrosion, or fogging of critical components.

#### **OUTGAS TESTING RESULTS**

Braskem FL105PP unfilled polypropylene filament and FL900PP-CF carbon fiber reinforced polypropylene filaments were tested by an independent testing agency to determine outgas results.

SAMPLE	TML (%)	CVCM (%)	WVR (%)
FL105PP	0.24	0.05	0.03
FL900PP-CF	0.30	0.06	0.03

Outgas Test was performed in a vacuum environment of less than  $5 \times 10^{\Lambda-5}$  torr according to ASTM E595, for a duration of 24 hours, at 125 degrees Celsius.

## AT A GLANCE

According to an independent testing agency, Braskem FL105PP and FL900PPCF meet NASA established requirements for off gas of CVCM < 0.1% and TML < 1%.

#### **KEY RESULTS**



CVCM COLLECTED VOLATILE CONDENSABLE MATERIAL < 0.1%



TML TOTAL MASS LOSS < 0.1%



WVR WATER VAPOR RECOVERED < 0.1%

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