

Albemarle Statement on PFAS

Our commitment

As a global leader in specialty chemicals, Albemarle is committed to responsible, transparent, and disciplined manufacturing practices to help protect people, the environment, and the communities where we operate. *Safety is one of our core values* and a foundational element of our operating model. It guides how we design our processes, manage risk, and make decisions.

We continuously evaluate the materials and technologies used across our operations to strengthen the long-term resilience of our business and the industries we serve. This commitment to safety and stewardship not only supports regulatory compliance and operational excellence, it reinforces Albemarle's ability to deliver sustainable value for our stakeholders over the long term.

What are PFAS?

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a broad family of thousands of chemicals that all contain a carbon-fluorine bond. Within this very large group, certain PFAS, such as perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS), are being closely examined by regulators due to concerns about their environmental and health profiles.

Albemarle neither produces nor uses PFAS as a raw material

Albemarle does not produce PFAS, and we do not use PFAS as raw materials in the manufacture of any of our products.

Fluoropolymers enable safety and reliability in chemical manufacturing

In certain parts of our manufacturing operations, Albemarle uses fluoropolymers, a specialized subset of PFAS that have unique properties such as durability, thermal stability and strong heat and chemical resistance.

Fluoropolymers are large, stable and inert molecules that are too large to cross biological membranes and do not break down into molecules like PFOA or PFOS. Fluoropolymers are not bio-available, water-soluble, toxic or mobile.

Because of their properties, fluoropolymers offer a wide range of safety and reliability benefits that are critical in manufacturing environments that involve reactive or corrosive chemicals. These characteristics make fluoropolymers essential for applications such as linings for pipes, valves, and tanks, as well as gaskets and instruments used in corrosive, highly reactive, high-temperature, high-pressure, or otherwise intense manufacturing processes, helping protect workers, equipment, and surrounding communities.