

## FIRE DEPARTMENT SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Bulletin #38, Companies which have switched over to F3 products, October 1, 2021

These listed companies have already transitioned to fluorine-free firefighting foams for their industrial facilities and corporate owned properties.

	Year Transitioned to
<u>Company</u>	F3 Products
3M	2018 <sup>1</sup>
AkzoNobel	2018 <sup>2</sup>
BASF	2018 <sup>3</sup>
Bayern Oil	2014 4
BHP Billiton	2018 5
BP	2018 <sup>6</sup>
Caltex	2019 <sup>7</sup>
Chemours	2018 <sup>8</sup>
ConocoPhillips	2019 <sup>9</sup>
DuPont *	2021 10
Equinor (formerly Statoil)	2018 11
ExxonMobil	2018 12
Gazprom	2018 <sup>13</sup>
JO Tankers	2018 14
Lilly	2018 <sup>15</sup>
ODFJEL	2018 <sup>16</sup>
Pfizer	2018 17
Stena Line	2018 <sup>18</sup>
Total	2018 <sup>19</sup>
Weifa	2018 20

<sup>\*</sup> Expected to convert by the end of 2021.

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The Chemtool Plant in Rockton, Illinois had an industrial explosion and fire on June 14, 2021. Chemtool is owned by Lubrizol Corporation which is a Berkshire Hathaway company. "U.S. Fire Pump, a Louisiana-based company...used 3,200 gallons of the fluorinated foam." Photo from USEPA [https://www.msn.com/enus/weather/topstories/foam-containing-forever-chemicals-likely-used-to-extinguish-chemtool-fire-in-illinois/ar-AAL9vn7]