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Description

Technical field

This invention relates to laundry additive products. In particular, it relates to laundry additive products for cleaning clothes or other fabrics or for providing an adjunct laundering benefit, the additive product comprising a water-insoluble substrate and a laundry-additive composition coated on the substrate.

Background

Laundry additive products based on water-insoluble substrates are now well known in the art. For example, US—A—3,422,692 discloses a method for softening and controlling static on fabrics in a laundry washing machine or dryer using a fabric conditioning composition coated on a substrate. GB—A—1,586,769 corresponding to DE—A—2,744,642, teaches a laundry additive product containing an organic peroxy compound precursor combined with a solid article, particularly a sheet-like, water-insoluble substrate. US—A—4,170,565 relates to an article for cleaning fabrics yielding sequential release of surface-active components, consisting of a surface-active composition contained between two layers of water-insoluble substrate of defined air permeability.

A key constraint of a substrate-based laundry-additive product, particularly for use as a detergent or detergent additive for washing clothes and the like, is the ability to load a relatively large amount of the laundry additive composition onto the substrate and simultaneously to achieve rapid and complete release of the additive composition during the course of the laundering operation. This is to be contrasted with articles of the cleaning cloth variety used in the washing and scrubbing of hard surfaces such as dishes and counter tops and which rely on physical rubbing and scrubbing during use to assure the release of the proper amount of cleansing composition for the cleaning operation. Such articles are generally designed for multiple repeated use and are formulated, therefore, to release only a small proportion of the total cleaning composition during any single use of the article.

To achieve *rapid* release of laundry additive composition, it is generally found desirable to utilize a substrate of low basis weight. Particularly acceptable from this viewpoint are single layer substrates impregnated with or carrying a coating of the laundry additive composition. As a result of high loading and low substrate basis weight, therefore, laundry additive products having optimum performance for general detergency use inevitably have a high composition:substrate weight ratio (referred to herein as loading ratio).

From the viewpoint of processing, product aesthetics, and storage characteristics, however, designing a laundry additive product having a high loading ratio raises a number of intractable problems. First and foremost, the flexibility of the substrate rapidly diminishes at high loading ratio and the product becomes increasingly rigid and board-like. Not only is this disliked by consumers but it also raises processing problems associated with composition flaking from the sheet, and manufacturing and packaging problems associated with folding the article into a form which is compact and convenient for use. Where, on the other hand, the additive composition is made sufficiently soft and plastic to mitigate flexibility problems, the articles become quite sticky and uncomfortable to touch and associated problems of handling and storage (blocking phenomena etc) become increasingly important.

It has now been found that by selecting certain laundry additive compositions of defined melting characteristics and certain sheet-like apertured substrates of defined aperture size and density and by coating the substrate so as to cover and fill only a defined proportion of the substrate apertures, laundry additive products can be provided which simultaneously meet the mutual constraints of high loading, good release characteristics, and excellent flexibility and product feed characteristics.

The present invention thus provides a laundry additive product having a high composition:substrate ratio together with excellent product flexibility characteristics, which is not sticky to handle and which is easy to manufacture, use and store, and which can be used in a laundering operation to clean clothes and other fabrics effectively and conveniently or to provide additional laundering benefits.

Summary of the invention

According to the present invention, there is provided a laundry additive product comprising:

- (a) a solid laundry additive composition having a softening temperature of at least 35°C and comprising at least 40% by weight thereof of a water-soluble or water-dispersible matrix of organic materials having a melting completion temperature of less than 85°C, and
- (b) a flexible, single layer sheet-like apertured substrate having an aperture density of from 10 to 30 apertures per sq cm of sheet and wherein the apertures, on average, have a width of from 0.5 mm to 5 mm and a length of from 0.8 mm to 5 mm, the substrate carrying a water releasable coating of the laundry additive composition and having areas of uncoated apertures and areas wherein the coating covers the apertures and extends between opposing surfaces of the substrate, the ratio of areas of uncoated to coated apertures being in the range from 15:1 to 1:3 and wherein the weight ratio of composition:substrate is at least 5:1.

With regard to the substrate, this preferably has an aperture density of from 13 to 26, more preferably

from 16 to 23 apertures per sq cm of sheet, a basis weight of from 10 to 70 grams/sq metre, more preferably from 20 to 50 grams/sq metre and a hydrophobic binder resins content of from 12% to 25%, more preferably from 16% to 22% by weight of total substrate. The apertures themselves are generally symmetrical about a longitudinal axis (i.e. they have mirror symmetry) and preferably have, on average, a width of from 0.7 to 2.5 mm and a length of from 1.7 mm to 4 mm. The area of the apertures, on the other hand, is preferably from 0.7 mm² to 7 mm², more preferably from 0.8 mm² to 3.5 mm², and the ratio of length:width is from 1:1 up to preferably 6:1, more preferably 4:1. These parameters are highly preferred from the viewpoint of achieving the optimum ratio of areas of uncoated to coated apertures and the complete filling of coated apertures from one surface of the substrate to the other.

The substrate apertures herein can be elongate in shape (for example, generally elliptical or diamond-shaped) in which case the apertures preferably have a width of from 0.8 mm to 1.5 mm and a length of from 2 mm to 3.5 mm. In preferred embodiments, however, the apertures are generally square-shaped with a side dimension of from 1 to 2.5 mm. As used herein, "length" refers to the dimension of the principal (i.e. longest) longitudinal axis, and "width" is the maximum dimension perpendicular to this axis.

As far as loading ratio is concerned (i.e. the weight ratio of composition:substrate) this preferably is at least 6:1 and more preferably at least 7:1. Moreover the ratio of the areas of uncoated to coated apertures in the final product is preferably from 6:1 to 1:2, more preferably from 4:1 to 1:1.

Turning to the laundry additive composition, this preferably comprises at least 50%, more preferably at least 60% by weight thereof of organic matrix materials; these in turn each preferably have a melting completion temperature of less than 75°C, more preferably less than 70°C. The laundry additive composition itself desirably has a softening temperature of at least 40°C, especially at least 50°C.

In preferred embodiments, the laundry additive product contains at least 5%, preferably at least 15% by weight of composition of water-soluble or water-dispersible organic binding agent having a melting-onset temperature of at least 35°C and a melting completion temperature of less than 85°C. Preferably, the binding agent is selected from polyethylene glycols of molecular weight greater than 1000, C₁₂—C₁₈ fatty acids and esters and amides thereof, polyvinyl pyrrolidone of molecular weight in the range from 40,000 to 700,000, and C₁₄—C₂₄ fatty alcohols ethoxylated with from 14 to 100 moles of ethylene oxide.

Highly preferred from the viewpoint of optimum flexibility and feel characteristics combined with excellent water-dispersibility at high loading ratios are polyethyleneglycols having a molecular weight greater than 4,000, preferably greater than 7,000, these materials preferably comprising at least 40%, more preferably at least 50% of the organic binding agent.

The laundry additive products of the invention suitably contain at least 5%, preferably at least 20% of additive composition of organic detergent selected from anionic, nonionic and cationic surfactants and mixtures thereof. Preferred nonionic surfactants have melting completion temperatures of less than 85°C and form part of the matrix of organic materials. Preferred cationic surfactants have melting onset temperatures of at least 35°C and can form either part of the organic binding agent or can be dispersed in the organic matrix. Preferred anionic surfactants have melting completion temperatures in excess of 100°C and are dispersed in the organic matrix.

Other functional solid ingredients can also be present as a dispersion in the organic matrix, especially inorganic or organic peroxy bleaches which preferably comprise at least 5% by weight of additive composition, and/or organic peroxy acid bleach precursors which preferably comprise at least 2% by weight of additive composition. Other suitable functional ingredients include detergency enzymes, fluorescers, photoactivators, sequestrants, bleaching catalysts, and suds-controlling agents.

The laundry additive products of the invention will now be discussed in detail.

Preferred substrates for use herein are apertured nonwoven fabrics which can generally be defined as adhesively bonded fibrous or filamentous products, having a web or carded fibre structure (where the fibre strength is suitable to allow carding) or comprising fibrous mats, in which the fibres or filaments are distributed haphazardly or in random array (i.e. an array of fibres in a carded web wherein partial orientation of the fibres is frequently present as well as a completely haphazard distributional orientation or substantially aligned. The fibres or filaments can be natural (e.g. wool, silk, wood pulp, jute, hemp, cotton, linen, sisal, or ramie), synthetic (e.g. rayon, cellulose, ester, polyvinyl derivatives, polyolefins, polyamides, or polyesters) or mixtures of any of the above.

Generally, non-woven cloths are made by air or water laying processes in which the fibres or filaments are first cut to desired lengths from long strands, passed into a water or air stream, and then deposited onto a screen through which the fibre-laden air or water is passed. The deposited fibres or filaments are then adhesively bonded together, dried, cured and otherwise treated as desired to form the non-woven cloth.

Preferably, the non-woven cloth is made from cellulosic fibres, particularly from regenerated cellulose or rayon, which are lubricated with standard textile lubricant such as sodium oleate. Preferably the fibres are from 4 to 50 mm, especially from 8 mm to 20 mm, in length and are from 1 to 5 denier (0.55 tex) (Denier is an internationally recognised unit in yarn measure, corresponding to the weight in grams of a 9,000 meter length of yarn). Preferably the fibres are at least partially orientated haphazardly, particularly substantially haphazardly, and are adhesively bonded together with hydrophobic or substantially hydrophobic binder-resin, particularly with a nonionic self-crosslinking acrylic polymer or polymers. In

highly preferred embodiments, the cloth comprises from 75% to 88%, especially from 78% to 84% fibre and from 12% to 25%, especially from 16% to 22% hydrophobic binder-resin polymer by weight and has a basis weight of from 10 to 70, preferably from 20 to 50 g/m². Suitable hydrophobic binder-resins are ethylacrylate resins such as Primal (RTM) HA24, Rhoplex (RTM) HA8 and HA16 (Rohm and Haas, Inc) and mixtures thereof.

The substrate apertures, which extend between opposite surfaces of the substrate, are normally in a pattern and are formed during lay-down of the fibres to produce the substrate. Exemplary apertured non-woven substrates are disclosed in US—A—3,741,724, US—A—3,930,086 and US—A—3,750,237.

An example of an apertured non-woven substrate suitable herein is a regenerated cellulose sheet of 1.5 denier (0.16 tex) fibres bonded with Rhoplex (RTM) HA 8 binder (fibre:binder ratio of about 77:23) having a basis weight of about 35 g/m² and about 17 apertures/cm². The apertures are generally elliptical in shape and are in side-by-side arrangement. The apertures have a width of about 0.9 mm and a length of about 2.5 mm measured in a relaxed condition. Another highly preferred substrate based on 1.5 denier (0.16 tex) regenerated cellulose fibres with Rhoplex (RTM) HA8 binder has a fibre:binder ratio of about 82:18, a basis weight of about 35 g/m², and about 22 apertures/cm². In this example, the apertures are generally square-shaped with a width (relaxed) of about 1.1 mm. The apertures are again disposed in side-by-side arrangement.

The size and shape of the substrate sheet for each unit of product is a matter of choice and is determined principally by factors associated with the convenience of its use. Thus the sheet should not be so small as to become trapped in the crevices of the machine or the clothes being washed or so large as to be awkward to package and dispense from the container in which it is sold. For the purposes of the present invention sheet ranging in plan area from 130 cm² to 1300 cm² are acceptable, the preferred area lying in the range of from 520 cm² to 780 cm².

Turning to the laundry additive composition, this is in solid form at ambient temperatures (25°C and below) and has a softening temperature of at least 35°C, preferably at least 40°C, especially at least 50°C. By softening temperature is meant the temperature at which there is transition from plastic-flow to viscous-flow properties; at ambient temperatures, therefore, the composition takes the form of a plastic solid having a non-zero yield stress. The hardness of the compositions at ambient temperatures can be determined by standard methods, for example, by the penetrometer-based technique of IP49 (or the technically equivalent ASTM-D5 or BS4691). Thus, laundry additive compositions preferred for use herein have a penetration under a 100 g load at 25°C after 15 seconds under IP49 of less than 10 (measured in tenths of a millimetre), more preferably less than 7. The softening temperature of the composition, on the other hand, is taken herein to be the temperature at which the IP49 15 second penetration exceeds 30.

The laundry additive composition herein comprises a matrix of organic materials having defined melting characteristics. Melting completion temperatures are determined using a Dupont 910 Differential Scanning Calorimeter with Mechanical Cooling Accessory and R90 Thermal Analyser as follows. A 5—10 mg sample of the organic material containing no free water or solvent is encapsulated in a hermetically sealed pan with an empty pan as reference. The sample is initially heated until molten and then rapidly cooled (at about 20—30°C/min) to -70°C. Thermal analysis is then carried out at a heating rate of 10°C/min using sufficient amplification of ΔT signal (i.e. temperature difference between sample and reference—vertical axis) to obtain an endotherm-peak signal:baseline noise ratio of better than 10:1. The melting completion temperature is then the temperature corresponding to the intersection of the tangential line at the steepest part of the endotherm curve at the high temperature end of the endotherm, with the horizontal line, parallel to the sample temperature axis, through the highest temperature endotherm peak.

The organic materials constituting the matrix have a melting completion temperature of less than 85°C. In addition, the laundry additive products of the invention preferably contain at least 5% by weight of composition of binding agent defined as organic material having a melting completion temperature of less than 85°C, preferably less than 80°C, especially less than 70°C, and a melting onset temperature of at least 35°C, preferably at least 40°C, especially at least 50°C. The melting onset temperature can once again be determined by thermal analysis as described above and is taken to be the sample temperature at the point of intersection of the base line with a tangent to the steepest part of the endotherm nearest the low temperature end of the endotherm.

The laundry additive products of the invention can be supplemented by all manner of laundering and detergency components. Suitably, the additive products can contain from 5% to 100%, preferably from 20% to 100%, more preferably from 35% to 75% of organic detergent selected from anionic, nonionic and cationic surfactants and mixtures thereof. Anionic surfactants preferably comprise from 7% to 38%, more preferably from 15% to 30% by weight of composition; nonionic surfactants from 8% to 32%, more preferably from 12% to 25% by weight of composition; and cationic surfactants from 5% to 30%, more preferably from 8% to 20% by weight of composition.

The anionic surfactant can be any one or more of the materials used conventionally in laundry detergents. Suitable synthetic anionic surfactants are water-soluble salts of alkyl benzene sulphonates, alkyl sulphates, alkyl polyethoxy ether sulphates, paraffin sulphonates, alpha-olefin sulphonates, alpha-sulpho-carboxylates and their esters, alkyl glyceryl ether sulphonates, fatty acid monoglyceride sulphates and sulphonates, alkyl phenol polyethoxy ether sulphates, 2-acyloxy alkane-1-sulphonate, and beta-alkyloxy alkane sulphonate.

A particularly suitable class of anionic surfactants includes water-soluble salts, particularly the alkali metal, ammonium and alkanolammonium salts or organic sulphuric reaction products having in their molecular structure an alkyl or alkaryl group containing from 8 to 22, especially from 10 to 20 carbon atoms and a sulphonic acid or sulphuric acid ester group. (Included in the term "alkyl" is the alkyl portion of acyl groups). Examples of this group of synthetic detergents which form part of the detergent compositions of the present invention are the sodium and potassium alkyl sulphates, especially those obtained by sulphating the higher alcohols (C_{8-18}) carbon atoms produced by reducing the glycerides of tallow or coconut oil and sodium and potassium alkyl benzene sulphonates, in which the alkyl group contains from 9 to 15, especially 11 to 13, carbon atoms, in straight chain or branched chain configuration, e.g. those of the type described in US—A—2,220,099 and US—A—2,477,383 and those prepared from alkylbenzenes obtained by alkylation with straight chain chloroparaffins (using aluminium trichloride catalysis) or straight chain olefins (using hydrogen fluoride catalysis). Especially valuable are linear straight chain alkyl benzene sulphonates in which the average of the alkyl group is about 11.8 carbon atoms, abbreviated as $C_{11.8}$ LAS, and $C_{12}-C_{15}$ methyl branched alkyl sulphates.

Other anionic detergent compounds herein include the sodium C_{10-18} alkyl glyceryl ether sulphonates, especially those ethers of higher alcohols derived from tallow and coconut oil; sodium coconut oil fatty acid monoglyceride sulphonates and sulphates; and sodium or potassium salts of alkyl phenol ethylene oxide ether sulphate containing 1 to 10 units of ethylene oxide per molecule and wherein the alkyl groups contain 8 to 12 carbon atoms.

Other useful anionic detergent compounds herein include the water-soluble salts or esters of α -sulphonated fatty acids containing from 6 to 20 carbon atoms in the fatty acid group and from 1 to 10 carbon atoms in the ester group; water-soluble salts of 2-acyloxy-alkane-1-sulphonic acids containing from 2 to 9 carbon atoms in the acyl group and from 9 to 23 carbon atoms in the alkane moiety; alkyl ether sulphates containing from 10 to 18, especially 12 to 16, carbon atoms in the alkyl group and from 1 to 12, especially 1 to 6, more especially 1 to 4 moles of ethylene oxide; water-soluble salts of olefin sulphonates containing from 12 to 24, preferably 14 to 16, carbon atoms, especially those made by reaction with sulphur trioxide followed by neutralization under conditions such that any sultones present are hydrolysed to the corresponding hydroxy alkane sulphonates; water-soluble salts of paraffin sulphonates containing from 8 to 24, especially 14 to 18 carbon atoms, and β -alkyloxy alkane sulphonates containing from 1 to 3 carbon atoms in the alkyl group and from 8 to 20 carbon atoms in the alkane moiety.

The alkane chains of the foregoing non-soap anionic surfactants can be derived from natural sources such as coconut oil or tallow, or can be made synthetically as for example using the Ziegler or Oxo processes. Water solubility can be achieved by using alkali metal, ammonium or alkanolammonium cations; sodium is preferred. Suitable fatty acid soaps can be selected from the ordinary alkali metal (sodium, potassium), ammonium, and alkyloammonium salts of higher fatty acids containing from 8 to 24, preferably from 10 to 22 and especially from 16 to 22 carbon atoms in the alkyl chain. Suitable fatty acids can be obtained from natural sources such as, for instance, from soybean oil, castor oil, tallow, whale and fish oils, grease, lard and mixtures thereof. The fatty acids also can be synthetically prepared (e.g., by the oxidation of petroleum, or by hydrogenation of carbon monoxide by the Fisher-Tropsch process). Resin acids are suitable such as rosin and those resin acids in tall oil. Napthenic acids are also suitable. Sodium and potassium soaps can be made by direct saponification of the fats and oils or by the neutralization of the free fatty acids which are prepared in a separate manufacturing process. Particularly useful are the sodium and potassium salts of the mixtures of fatty acids derived from tallow and hydrogenated fish oil.

Mixtures of anionic surfactants are particularly suitable herein, especially mixtures of sulfonate and sulfate surfactants in a weight ratio of from 5:1 to 1:5, preferably from 5:1 to 1:1, more preferably from 5:1 to 1.5:1. Especially preferred is a mixture of an alkyl benzene sulfonate having from 9 to 15, especially 11 to 13 carbon atoms in the alkyl radical, the cation being an alkali metal, preferably sodium; and either an alkyl sulfate having from 10 to 20, preferably 12 to 18 carbon atoms in the alkyl radical or an ethoxy sulfate having from 10 to 20, preferably 10 to 16 carbon atoms in the alkyl radical and an average degree of ethoxylation of 1 to 6, having an alkali metal cation, preferably sodium.

The nonionic surfactants useful in the present invention are condensates of ethylene oxide with a hydrophobic moiety to provide a surfactant having an average hydrophilic-lipophilic balance (HLB) in the range from 8 to 17, preferably from 9.5 to 13.5, more preferably from 10 to 12.5. The hydrophobic moiety may be aliphatic or aromatic in nature and the length of the polyoxyethylene group which is condensed with any particular hydrophobic group can be readily adjusted to yield a water-soluble compound having the desired degree of balance between hydrophilic and hydrophobic elements.

Examples of suitable nonionic surfactants include:

1. The polyethylene oxide condensates of alkyl phenol, e.g. the condensation products of alkyl phenols having an alkyl group containing from 6 to 12 carbon atoms in either a straight chain or branched chain configuration, with ethylene oxide, the said ethylene oxide being present in amounts equal to 3 to 30, preferably 5 to 14 moles of ethylene oxide per mole of alkyl phenol. The alkyl substituent in such compounds may be derived, for example, from polymerised propylene, di-isobutylene, octene and nonene. Other examples include dodecylphenol condensed with 9 moles of ethylene oxide per mole of phenol; dinonylphenol condensed with 11 moles of ethylene oxide per mole of phenol; nonylphenol and di-isooctylphenol condensed with 13 moles of ethylene oxide.

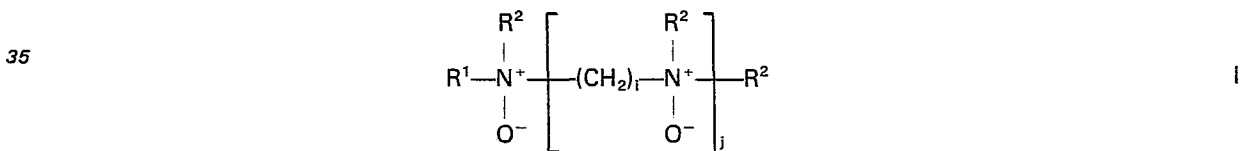
2. The condensation product of primary or secondary aliphatic alcohols having from 8 to 24 carbon atoms, in either straight chain or branched chain configuration, with from 2 to 40 moles, preferably 2 to 9 moles of ethylene oxide per mole of alcohol. Preferably, the aliphatic alcohol comprises between 9 and 18 carbon atoms and is ethoxylated with between 2 and 9, desirably between 3 and 8 moles of ethylene oxide per mole of aliphatic alcohol. The preferred surfactants are prepared from primary alcohols which are either linear (such as those derived from natural fats or, prepared by the Ziegler process from ethylene, e.g. myristyl, cetyl, stearyl alcohols), or partly branched such as the Lutensols (RTM), Dobanols (RTM) and Neodols (RTM) which have about 25% 2-methyl branching (Lutensol (RTM) being a Trade Name of BASF, Dobanol (RTM) and Neodol (RTM) being Trade Names of Shell), or Synperonics (RTM), which are understood to have about 50% 2-methyl branching (Synperonic (RTM) is a Trade Name of I.C.I.) or the primary alcohols having more than 50% branched chain structure sold under the Trade Name Lial by Liguichimica. Specific examples of nonionic surfactants falling within the scope of the invention include Dobanol (RTM) 45-4, Dobanol (RTM) 45-7, Dobanol (RTM) 45-9, Dobanol (RTM) 91-2.5, Dobanol (RTM) 91-3, Dobanol (RTM) 91-4, Dobanol (RTM) 91-6, Dobanol (RTM) 91-8, Dobanol (RTM) 23-6.5, Synperonic (RTM) 6, Synperonic (RTM) 14, the condensation products of coconut alcohol with an average of between 5 and 12 moles of ethylene oxide per mole of alcohol, the coconut alkyl portion having from 10 to 14 carbon atoms, and the condensation products of tallow alcohol with an average of between 7 and 12 moles of ethylene oxide per mole of alcohol, the tallow portion comprising essentially between 16 and 22 carbon atoms. Secondary linear alkyl ethoxylates are also suitable in the present compositions, especially these ethoxylates of the Tergitol (RTM) series having from 9 to 15 carbon atoms in the alkyl group and up to 11, especially from 3 to 9, ethoxy residues per molecule.

The compounds formed by condensing ethylene oxide with a hydrophobic base formed by the condensation of propylene oxide with propylene glycol are also suitable. The molecular weight of the hydrophobic portion generally falls in the range of 1500 to 1800. Such synthetic nonionic detergents are available on the market under the Trade Name of "Pluronic (RTM)" supplied by Wyandotte Chemicals Corporation.

Especially preferred nonionic surfactants for use herein are the C₉—C₁₅ primary alcohol ethoxylates containing 3—8 moles of ethylene oxide per mole of alcohol, particularly the C₁₂—C₁₅ primary alcohols containing 6—8 moles of ethylene oxide per mole of alcohol.

Cationic surfactants suitable for use herein include quaternary ammonium surfactants and surfactants of a semi-polar nature, for example amine oxides.

Suitable surfactants of the amine oxide class have the general formula I



wherein R¹ is a linear or branched alkyl or alkenyl group having 8 to 20 carbon atoms, each R² is independently selected from C₁₋₄ alkyl and —(C_nH_{2n}O)_mH where i is an integer from 1 to 6, j is 0 or 1, n is 2 or 3 and m is from 1 to 7, the sum total of C_nH_{2n}O groups in a molecule being no more than 7.

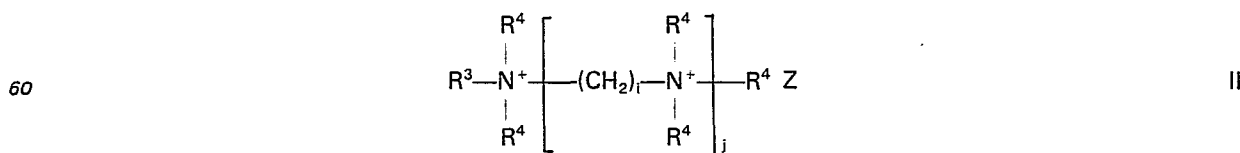
In a preferred embodiment R¹ has from 10 to 14 carbon atoms and each R² is independently selected from methyl and —(C_nH_{2n}O)_mH wherein m is from 1 to 3 and the sum total of C_nH_{2n}O groups in a molecule is no more than 5, preferably no more than 3. In a highly preferred embodiment, j is 0 and each R² is methyl, and R¹ is C₁₂—C₁₄ alkyl.

Another suitable class of amine oxide species is represented by bis-amine oxides having the following substituents.

- j₁: 1
- R¹: tallow C₁₆—C₁₈ alkyl; palmityl; oleyl; stearyl
- R₂: hydroxyethyl
- i: 2 or 3

A specific example of this preferred class of bis-amine oxides is: N-hydrogenated C₁₆—C₁₈ tallow alkyl-N,N',N'tri-(2-hydroxyethyl)-propylene-1,3-diamine oxide.

Suitable quaternary ammonium surfactants for use in the present composition can be defined by the general formula II:



wherein R³ is a linear or branched alkyl, alkenyl or alkaryl group having 8 to 16 carbon atoms and each R⁴ is independently selected from C₁₋₄ alkyl, C₁₋₄ alkaryl and —(C_nH_{2n}O)_m wherein i is an integer from 1 to 6, j is 0

or 1, n is 2 or 3 and m is from 1 to 7, the sum total of $C_nH_{2n}O$ groups in a molecule being no more than 7, and wherein Z represents counteranion in number to give electrical neutrality.

In a preferred embodiment, R^3 has from 10 to 14 carbon atoms and each R^4 is independently selected from methyl and $(C_nH_{2n}O)_mH$ wherein m is from 1 to 3 and the sum total of $C_nH_{2n}O$ groups in a molecule is no more than 5, preferably no more than 3. In a highly preferred embodiment j is 0, R^4 is selected from methyl, hydroxyethyl and hydroxypropyl and R^3 is $C_{12}-C_{14}$ alkyl. Particularly preferred surfactants of this class include C_{12} alkyl trimethylammonium salts, C_{14} alkyltrimethylammonium salts, coconutalkyltrimethylammonium salts, coconutalkyldimethylhydroxyethylammonium salts, coconutalkyldimethylhydroxypropylammonium salts, and C_{12} alkyldihydroxyethylmethylammonium salts.

Another group of useful cationic compounds are the diammonium salts of formula II in which j is 1, R^3 is $C_{12}-C_{14}$ alkyl, each R^4 is methyl, hydroxyethyl or hydroxypropyl and i is 2 or 3. In a particularly preferred surfactant of this type, R^3 is coconut alkyl, R^4 is methyl and i is 3.

The laundry additive products of the invention can also include various functional solid ingredients dispersed in the organic matrix, especially peroxy bleaches and organic peroxy acid bleach precursors. Suitable inorganic peroxygen bleaches include sodium perborate mono- and tetrahydrate, sodium percarbonate, sodium persulfate and urea-hydrogen peroxide addition products and the clathrate $4Na_2SO_4 \cdot 2H_2O_2 \cdot 1NaCl$. Suitable organic bleaches include peroxyauric acid, peroxyoctanoic acid, peroxy-nonanoic acid, peroxydecanoic acid, diperoxododecanedioic acid, diperoxyazelaic acid, mono- and diperoxyphthalic acid and mono- and diperoxyisophthalic acid. Peroxyacid bleach precursors suitable herein are disclosed in GB—A—2040983, highly preferred being peracetic acid bleach precursors such as tetraacetylenediamine, tetraacetylmethylenediamine, tetraacetylhexylenediamine, sodium p-acetoxybenzene sulphonate, tetraacetylglycoluril, pentaacetylglucose, octaacetyllactose, and methyl O-acetoxy benzoate. Bleach precursors can be applied to substrate at a precursor:substrate ratio within the range from 30:1 to 1:10, preferably from 8:1 to 1:2, while bleaches can be applied to substrate at a bleach:substrate ratio from 30:1 to 1:4, preferably from 10:1 to 1:1. For improved stability, the bleach precursor and bleach can be incorporated in physically separate locations of the substrate.

The compositions of the invention can be supplemented by all manner of other laundering ingredients, including suds controlling agents, fluorescers, photoactivators, enzymes, sequestrants, fabric softeners and antistatic agents, soil suspending agents etc, either as part of the matrix of organic materials or as a dispersion therein.

Suitable suds controlling agents include microcrystalline waxes having a melting point in the range from 65°C to 100°C, a molecular weight in the range from 400—1000, and a penetration value of at least 6, measured at 77°C by ASTM-D1321; silicone suds controlling agent as disclosed in US—A—3,933,672, particularly polydimethylsiloxanes having a molecular weight in the range from 200 to 200,000 and a kinematic viscosity in the range from 20 to 2,000,000 mm^2/s , preferably from 3000 to 30,000 mm^2/s , and mixtures of siloxanes and hydrophobic silanated (preferably trimethylsilanated) silica having a particle size in the range from 10 nm to 20 nm and a specific surface area above 50 m^2/g ; and the self emulsifying suds suppressors described in DE—A—2,646,126.

Suitable fluorescers herein include Blackophor (RTM) MBBH (Bayer AG) and Tinopal (RTM) CBS and EMS (Ciba Geigy). Suitable photoactivators are disclosed in EP—A—0057088, published 04.08.82, highly preferred materials being zinc phthalocyanine tri- and tetrasulphonates.

Chelating agents that can be incorporated include citric acid, nitrilotriacetic and ethylene diamine tetra acetic acids and their salts, organic phosphonate derivatives such as those disclosed in US—A—3,213,030, US—A—3,433,021, US—A—3,292,121, US—A—2,599,807 and carboxylic acid builder salts such as those disclosed in US—A—3,308,067. Preferred chelating agents include nitrilotriacetic acid (NTA), nitrilotrimethylene phosphonic acid (NTMP), ethylene diamine tetra methylene phosphonic acid (EDTMP) and diethylene triamine penta methylene phosphonic acid (DETPMP), and these are incorporated in amounts such that the substrate chelating agent weight ratio lies in the range from 20:1 to 1:5, preferably from 5:1 to 1:5 and most preferably 3:1 to 1:1.

Antiredeposition and soil suspension agents also constitute preferred components of the additive product of the invention. Cellulose derivatives such as methylcellulose, carboxymethylcellulose and hydroxyethylcellulose are examples of soil suspension agents and suitable antiredeposition agents are provided by homo- or co-polymeric polycarboxylic acids or their salts in which at least two carboxyl radicals are present separated by not more than two carbon atoms.

Highly preferred polymeric polycarboxylic acids are copolymers of maleic acid or maleic anhydride with methyl vinyl ether, ethyl vinyl ether, ethylene or acrylic acid, the polymers having a molecular weight in the range from 12,000 to 1,500,000.

A further description of suitable polymeric polycarboxylic acids is provided in EP—A—0063017 published 20.10.82.

In a method of making the laundry-additive products of the invention, a current of molten laundry-additive composition is dispensed onto moving substrate at an application rate of from 100 to 400 g/m^2 , preferably from 120 to 320 g/m^2 of substrate, so as to coat no more than 70%, preferably no more than 45% of the apertures of the substrate. Thereafter, the coated substrate is passed through smoothing and distributing means arranged to smooth and distribute the coating on the substrate with substantially no removal of coating material from off the substrate.

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The temperature of the melt generally lies in the range from 35°C to 85°C, preferably from 40°C to 75°C, more preferably from 50°C to 70°C and the average particle size of solids dispersed in the melt is preferably less than 250 µm, more preferably less than 100 µm. In preferred embodiments, the melt is dispensed from the nip of a pair of counter-rotating, heated rollers having a nip setting of less than 400 µm, preferably from 5 150 to 300 µm, the substrate being arranged for movement counter to one of the rollers and in contact therewith, whereby the melt is transferred to the substrate by a wiping action. Thereafter, the substrate passes through smoothing and distributing means, for example a pair of plates stationed on opposite sides of the substrate at a spacing of less than 300 µm, preferably from 120 to 220 µm. Finally, the coated substrate is cooled in a current of air.

10 The invention is illustrated in the following non-limitative Examples in which parts and percentages are by weight unless otherwise specified.

In the Examples, the abbreviations used have the following designation:

15	LAS:	Linear C ₁₂ alkyl benzene sulphonate
	C _{12/14} AS:	Sodium C ₁₂ —C ₁₄ alkyl sulphate
20	TAE _n :	Hardened tallow alcohol ethoxylated with n moles of ethylene oxide per mole of alcohol
	C ₁₂ TMAB:	C ₁₂ alkyl trimethyl ammonium bromide
25	Dobanol (RTM) 45-E-7:	A C ₁₄ —C ₁₅ primary alcohol condensed with 7 moles of ethylene oxide, marketed by Shell
	PEG:	Polyethylene glycol (MWt normally follows)
	TAED:	Tetraacetylenediamine
30	PAG:	Pentaacetylglucose
	AOBS:	Sodium p-acetoxy benzene sulphonate
35	Silicone/Silica:	85% polydimethyl siloxane 15% silanated silica
	Porphine:	Tri/tetra sulphonated zinc phthalocyanine
40	Gantrez (RTM) AN119:	Maleic anhydride/vinyl methyl ether copolymer, believed to have an average molecular weight of 240,000, marketed by GAF. This material was prehydrolysed with NaOH before addition.
	Perborate:	Anhydrous sodium perborate bleach of empirical formula NaBO ₂ · H ₂ O ₂
45	EDTA:	Sodiummethylenediaminetetraacetate
	Brightener 1:	Disodium 4,4'-bis(2-morpholino-4-anilino-s-triazin-6-ylamino)stilbene-2:2'-disulphonate
50	Brightener 2:	Disodium 4,4'-bis(2-sulphonato styryl)biphenyl
	DETPMP:	Diethylenetriamine penta(methylene phosphonic acid), marketed by Monsanto under the Trade name Dequest (RTM) 2060
55	EDTMP:	Ethylenediamine tetra(methylene phosphonic acid), marketed by Monsanto, under the Trade name Dequest (RTM) 2041
	Substrate 1:	Non-woven fabric formed of 100% unbleached crimped rayon fibres of 1.5 denier 0.16 tex bonded with 23% polyacrylate binder; basis weight 35 g/m ² ; 17 elliptical apertures/cm ² ; aperture width 0.9 mm; aperture length 2.5 mm
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	Substrate 2:	Non-woven fabric formed of 100% unbleached crimped rayon fibres of 1.5 denier 0.16 tex bonded with 18% polyacrylate binder; basis weight 35 g/m ² ; 22 square-shaped apertures/cm ² ; side dimension 1.1 mm
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Examples 1 to 6

Laundry additive products according to the invention are prepared as follows. For each product, the components of the laundry additive composition are mixed at a temperature of about 65°C and passed through a Fryma Colloid Mill, Model MK95-R/MZ 80R (made by M. M. Process Equipment Ltd of M. M. House, Frogmore Road, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, United Kingdom) in which the grinding faces are set to a separation of about 180 µm. The melt is then fed through a pair of counterrotating rolls heated to 76°C and having a nip setting of 250 µm and is transferred to the substrate moving counter to one of the rollers by wiping. The coated substrate is finally passed between a pair of static plates having a spacing of 180 µm, air-cooled, and cut into sheets of size 35×23 cm.

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	Examples					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
LAS	—	3	—	—	5	—
15 C _{12/14} AS	5	3	6	3	3	8
TAE ₂₅	—	3	—	—	—	4
20 C ₁₂ TMAB	2	—	4	3	—	3
Dobanol 45E7	5	3	5	4	5	—
PEG 8000	5	5	7	6	7	8
25 TAED	5	—	—	—	—	—
PAG	—	3	—	—	3	—
30 AOBS	—	—	—	1	—	—
Silicone/Silica	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Porphine	—	0.2	—	—	—	0.3
35 Gantrez (RTM) AN119	0.3	—	—	0.8	—	0.5
Perborate	—	—	—	5	—	—
40 EDTA	—	—	—	0.2	—	—
Brightener 1	—	0.3	0.1	—	0.2	0.1
Brightener 2	0.1	0.1	—	0.2	—	0.3
45 DETPMP	0.5	1	—	—	0.8	1
EDTMP	—	—	1.5	0.5	—	—
50 Moisture	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.5	0.7
Substrate 1	2.8	2.8	—	2.8	—	—
Substrate 2	—	—	2.8	—	2.8	2.8
55 Percent Coated Apertures	40	33	45	50	42	55

The above products are effective laundry detergents combining a high composition:substrate ratio with excellent flexibility, product release, feel and storage characteristics.

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Claims

1. A laundry additive product comprising:

65 (a) a solid laundry additive composition having a softening temperature of at least 35°C and comprising at

least 40% by weight thereof of a water-soluble or water-dispersible matrix of organic materials having a melting completion temperature of less than 85°C, and

- (b) a flexible single layer, sheet-like apertured substrate having an aperture density of from 10 to 30 apertures per sq cm of sheet and wherein the apertures, on average, have a width of from 0.5 mm to 5 mm and a length of from 0.8 mm to 5 mm, the substrate carrying a water releasable coating of the laundry additive composition wherein the weight ratio of composition:substrate is at least 5:1, characterized in that the substrate comprises areas of uncoated apertures and areas wherein the coating covers the apertures and extends between opposing surfaces of the substrate, the ratio of areas of uncoated to coated apertures being in the range from 15:1 to 1:3.

2. A product according to Claim 1 wherein the substrate has an aperture density of from 13 to 26, preferably from 16 to 23 apertures per sq cm of sheet.

3. A product according to Claim 1 or 2 wherein the apertures, on average, have an area of from 0.7 to 7 mm² and a ratio of length:width of from 1:1 to 6:1, preferably from 1:1 to 4:1.

4. A product according to any of Claims 1 to 3 wherein the apertures are elongate having, on average, a width of from 0.8 mm to 1.5 mm and a length of from 2 mm to 3.5 mm, or are generally square-shaped with a side dimension of from 1 mm to 2.5 mm.

5. A product according to any of Claims 1 to 4 wherein the substrate has a basis weight of from 10 to 70 grams/sq, metre and a hydrophobic binder resins content of from 12% to 25%, preferably from 16% to 22% by weight of total substrate.

6. A product according to any of Claims 1 to 5 wherein the additive composition comprises at least 50%, preferably at least 60% by weight thereof of organic matrix materials having a melting completion temperature of less than 75°C, preferably less than 70°C, wherein the laundry additive composition has a softening temperature of at least 40°C, preferably at least 50°C.

7. A product according to any of Claims 1 to 6 wherein the weight ratio of composition substrate is at least 6:1, preferably at least 7:1, and wherein the ratio of the areas of uncoated to coated apertures is from 6:1 to 1:2, preferably from 4:1 to 1:1.

8. A product according to any of Claims 1 to 7 wherein the additive composition comprises at least 5%, preferably at least 15% by weight thereof of water-soluble or water-dispersible organic binding agent having a melting onset temperature of at least 35°C and a melting completion temperature of less than 85°C.

9. A product according to Claim 8 wherein the binding agent is selected from polyethylene glycols of molecular weight greater than 1000, C₁₂—C₁₈ fatty acids and esters and amides thereof, polyvinyl pyrrolidone of molecular weight in the range from 40,000 to 700,000, and C₁₄—C₂₄ fatty alcohols ethoxylated with from 14 to 100 moles of ethylene oxide.

10. A product according to Claim 8 or 9 wherein the binding agent comprises at least 40%, preferably at least 50% by weight thereof of polyethylene glycol having a molecular weight greater than 4,000.

11. A product according to any of Claims 1 to 10 wherein the additive composition comprises at least 5%, preferably at least 20% by weight thereof of organic detergent selected from anionic, nonionic and cationic surfactants and mixtures thereof.

12. A product according to any of Claims 1 to 11 wherein the additive composition comprises at least 5% by weight thereof of an inorganic or organic peroxy bleach and/or at least 2% by weight thereof of an organic peroxy acid bleach precursor.

45 Patentansprüche

1. Ein Wäschezusatzprodukt, enthaltend

(a) eine feste Wäschezusatzzusammensetzung mit einer Erweichungstemperatur von wenigstens 35°C, von der wenigstens 40 Gew.-% eine wasserlösliche oder wasserdispergierbare Matrix aus organischen Materialien, die eine Schmelztemperatur von weniger als 85°C haben, sind, und

(b) ein biegsames, einlagiges, blattartiges Substrat mit Öffnungen, welches eine Öffnungsdichte von 10 bis 30 Öffnungen je Quadratzentimeter des Blattes aufweist, und wobei die Öffnungen im Durchschnitt eine Breite von 0,5 mm bis 5 mm und eine Länge von 0,8 mm bis 5 mm haben und das Substrat einen wasserfreisetzbaren Überzug der Wäschezusatzzusammensetzung trägt, wobei das Gewichtsverhältnis von Zusammensetzung:Substrat wenigstens 5:1 ist, dadurch gekennzeichnet, daß das Substrat Flächen von nicht überzogenen Öffnungen und Flächen, in welchen der Überzug die Öffnungen bedeckt und sich zwischen gegenüberliegenden Oberflächen des Substrats erstreckt, aufweist, und daß das Verhältnis der Flächen unüberzogener Öffnungen zu den Flächen überzogener Öffnungen im Bereich von 15:1 bis 11:3 liegt.

2. Ein Produkt nach Anspruch 1, wobei das Substrat eine Dichte von Öffnungen aufweist, die 13 bis 26, vorzugsweise 16 bis 23, Öffnungen je Quadratzentimeter des Blattes beträgt.

3. Ein Produkt nach Anspruch 1 oder 2, wobei die Öffnungen im Durchschnitt eine Fläche von 0,7 bis 7 mm² und ein Verhältnis von Länge:Breite von 1:1 bis 6:1, vorzugsweise von 1:1 bis 4:1, aufweisen.

4. Ein Produkt nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 3, wobei die Öffnungen länglich sind und im Durchschnitt eine Breite von 0,8 mm bis 1,5 mm und eine Länge von 2 mm bis 3,5 mm haben, oder im allgemeinen viereckig, mit einer Seitenabmessung von 1 mm bis 2,5 mm, sind.

5. Ein Produkt nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 4, wobei das Substrat ein Flächengewicht von 10 bis 70 Gramm/Quadratmeter und einen Gehalt an hydrophoben Bindemittelharzen von 12% bis 25%, vorzugsweise von 16% bis 22%, bezogen auf das Gewicht des gesamten Substrates, hat.

6. Ein Produkt nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 5, wobei die Zusatzzusammensetzung wenigstens 50 Gew.-%, vorzugsweise wenigstens 60 Gew.-% derselben, an organischen Matrixmaterialien mit einer Schmelztemperatur von weniger als 75°C, vorzugsweise weniger als 70°C, enthält, und wobei die Wäschezusammensetzung eine Erweichungstemperatur von wenigstens 40°C, vorzugsweise wenigstens 50°C, aufweist.

7. Ein Produkt nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 6, wobei das Gewichtsverhältnis von Zusammensetzung:Substrat wenigstens 6:1, vorzugsweise wenigstens 7:1, beträgt, und wobei das Verhältnis der Flächen von unüberzogenen Öffnungen zu überzogenen Öffnungen 6:1 bis 1:2, vorzugsweise 4:1 bis 1:1, beträgt.

8. Ein Produkt nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 7, wobei die Zusatzzusammensetzung wenigstens 5 Gew.-%, vorzugsweise wenigstens 15 Gew.-% derselben, an wasserlöslichem oder wasserdispergierbarem organischem Bindemittel enthält, das eine Schmelzanfangstemperatur von wenigstens 35°C und eine Schmelztemperatur von weniger als 85°C aufweist.

9. Ein Produkt nach Anspruch 8, wobei das Bindemittel aus Polyethylenglykolen mit einem Molekulargewicht von mehr als 1000, C₁₂—C₁₈-Fettsäuren und Estern und Amiden davon, Polyvinylpyrrolidon mit einem Molekulargewicht im Bereich von 40.000 bis 700.000, und C₁₄—C₂₄-Fettalkoholen, die mit 14 bis 100 Mol Ethylenoxid ethoxyliert sind, ausgewählt ist.

10. Ein Produkt nach Anspruch 8 oder 9, wobei das Bindemittel wenigstens 40 Gew.-%, vorzugsweise wenigstens 50 Gew.-% desselben, an Polyethylenglykol mit einem Molekulargewicht von mehr als 4.000 enthält.

11. Ein Produkt nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 10, wobei die Zusatzzusammensetzung wenigstens 5 Gew.-%, vorzugsweise wenigstens 20 Gew.-% derselben, an organischem Detergens enthält, das aus anionischen, nichtionischen und kationischen, oberflächenaktiven Mitteln und Mischungen davon ausgewählt ist.

12. Ein Produkt nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 11, wobei die Zusatzzusammensetzung wenigstens 5 Gew.-% derselben eines anorganischen oder organischen Peroxybleichmittels und/oder wenigstens 2 Gew.-% derselben eines organischen Peroxysäurebleichmittel-Perursors enthält.

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Revendications

1. Produit additif pour lessive, comprenant:

(a) une composition solide d'additif pour lessives, ayant une température de ramollissement d'au moins 35°C et comprenant au moins 40% de son poids constitué par une matrice, soluble dans l'eau ou dispersable dans l'eau, de matières organiques ayant une température d'achèvement de fusion inférieure à 85°C, et

(b) un substrat perforé sous forme d'une feuille, en une seule couche, flexible, ayant une densité de perforations allant de 10 à 30 perforations par cm² de feuille et dans lequel les perforations ont en moyenne une largeur de 0,5 mm à 5 mm et une longueur de 0,8 mm à 5 mm, le substrat portant un revêtement, détachable par l'eau, de la composition d'additif pour lessive, le rapport pondéral de la composition au substrat étant au moins égal à 5:1, produit caractérisé en ce que le substrat comprend des zones de perforations non revêtues et des zones dans lesquelles le revêtement recouvre les perforations et s'étend entre les surfaces opposées du substrat, le rapport des zones de perforations non recouvertes et des zones à perforations recouvertes se situant en un intervalle allant de 15:1 à 1:3.

2. Produit selon la revendication 1, dans lequel le substrat présente une densité de perforations de 13 à 26, de préférence de 16 à 23 perforations par centimètre carré de feuille.

3. Produit selon la revendication 1 ou 2, dans lequel les perforations ont en moyenne une surface de 0,7 à 7 mm² et un rapport de la longueur à la largeur allant de 1:1 à 6:1, et de préférence de 1:1 à 4:1.

4. Produit selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 3, dans lequel les perforations sont allongées et ont, en moyenne, une largeur de 0,8 mm à 1,5 mm et une longueur allant de 2 mm à 3,5 mm, ou ont une forme généralement carrée avec une dimension de côté allant de 1 mm à 2,5 mm.

5. Produit selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 4, dans lequel le substrat a un poids de base allant de 10 à 70 g/m² et une teneur en résines liantes hydrophobes allant de 12% à 25%, de préférence de 16% à 22% du poids du substrat total.

6. Produit selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 5, dans lequel la composition d'additif comprend au moins 50%, de préférence au moins 60%, de son poids constitué de matières de la matrice organique ayant une température d'achèvement de fusion inférieure à 75°C, de préférence inférieure à

70°C, la composition d'additif pour lessives ayant une température de remollissement au moins égale à 40°C et de préférence au moins égale à 50°C.

5 7. Produit selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 6, dans lequel le rapport pondéral de la composition au substrat est au moins égal à 6:1, de préférence au moins égal à 7:1, et dans lequel le rapport entre les surfaces de perforations non revêtues et les surfaces de perforations revêtues est de 6:1 à 1:2 et de préférence de 4:1 à 1:1.

10 8. Produit selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 7, dans lequel la composition d'additif comprend au moins 5%, de préférence au moins 15% de son poids en un agent organique liant, soluble dans l'eau ou dispersable dans l'eau, ayant une température de début de fusion au moins égale à 35°C et une température d'achèvement de fusion inférieure à 85°C.

9. Produit selon la revendication 8, dans lequel l'agent liant est choisi parmi les polyéthylène-glycols d'un poids moléculaire supérieur à 1000, des acides gras en C₁₂ à C₁₈ et leurs esters et amides, de la polyvinylpyrrolidone dont le poids moléculaire se situe entre 40 000 et 700 000, et des alcools gras en C₁₄ à C₂₄ éthoxylés par 14 à 100 moles d'oxyde d'éthylène.

15 10. Produit selon la revendication 8 ou 9, dans lequel l'agent liant comprend au moins 40%, de préférence au moins 50%, de son poids constitué de polyéthylène-glycol ayant un poids moléculaire supérieur à 4000.

20 11. Produit selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 10, dans lequel la composition d'additif comprend au moins 5%, de préférence au moins 20%, de son poids constitué d'un détergent organique choisi parmi les tensio-actifs anioniques, non ioniques et cationiques et leurs mélanges.

25 12. Produit selon l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 11, dans lequel la composition d'additif comprend au moins 5% de son poids constitué d'un agent peroxydique minéral ou organique de blanchiment et/ou au moins 2% de son poids constitué d'un précurseur d'un agent de blanchiment de type peracide organique.

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