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LOW-TEMPERATURE ABUSE LAYER

(57) Abstract: A process of preparing a retorted packaged product, comprises: (A) placing a product in a packaging article compris-
ing a multilayer packaging film heat sealed to itself, (B) sealing the article closed so that the product is surrounded by the multilayer
packaging film; and (C) heating the packaged product to a temperature of at least 212°F for a period of at least 1 hour. The multilayer
packaging film comprises: (i) a crosslinked first outer layer which serves as an outer layer and product-contact layer; (ii) a crosslinked
second outer layer which serves as an outer skin layer; (iii) an O₂-barrier layer between the first outer layer and the second outer
layer; (iv) a first high-temperature- abuse layer between the first outer layer and the second outer layer, the high-temperature- abuse
layer comprising a polymer having a T_g of from 50°C to 125°C; and (v) a first low- temperature-abuse layer between the first outer
layer and the second outer layer, the low-temperature-abuse layers comprising a polymer having a T_g of up to 15°C. The invention
also pertains to a retorted packaged product packaged in the film utilized in the process of the invention.

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