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Abstract

In a process for purifying an organic solvent for the absorption
5 of maleic anhydride from a gaseous mixture, in which the maleic
anhydride is separated off from the solvent, a substream is taken
from the solvent stream, this substream is distilled and returned
to the solvent circuit, the proposed improvement comprises
separating off a low-boiling fraction and a high-boiling fraction
10 from the fraction consisting essentially of purified solvent and
feeding the fraction consisting essentially of purified solvent
back into the solvent stream.

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