

Abstract

The present invention is directed to a low VOC, non-aerosol, polyacrylic acid containing hair cosmetic compositions which contain nonionically derivatized starches, particularly those derivatized by alkylene
5 oxides. The derivatized starch may be hydrolyzed, particularly enzymatically hydrolyzed by at least one endo-enzyme. In addition, the starch may be cationically modified with a low degree of substitution. Use of such starches is novel and advantageous in that they are compatible with polyacrylic acid, providing a clear, solution with a stable viscosity. Further, the resultant
10 composition provides a clear film which is not tacky, good stiffness, and improved humidity resistance.

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