CONTAINER

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

[0001] This application claims priority to and the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 62/302,327, filed March 2, 2016, the entire contents of which are incorporated by reference herein.

Field of the Invention

[0002] This invention related to the field of packaging, and more particularly, packaging for scoopable material, such as for example, granulated or powdered products.

Background

[0003] Granular or powdered products, such as, for purposes of example without limitation, infant formula, flour, coffee, sugar, may be packaged in containers. Scoops are often provided within the container for dispensing the product from the container. When dispensing the product, users may have concerns regarding contaminating the contents of the container, soiling their hands with the container contents, and dispensing the correct amount of the granular or powdered product. Therefore, it is advantageous for the container to allow a user access to the measuring scoop without contamination of the contents and to ensure a user to can accurately measure the amount of product to be dispensed.

Summary

[0003a] In a first aspect, the present disclosure provides a container for scoopable material, the container comprising: a container body defining a reservoir to hold the scoopable material; a collar attached to the container body; and a moveable lid hingedly attached to the collar and moveable between an open position wherein the contents of the container can be dispensed from the reservoir and a closed position wherein the lid is resealed to the collar, the lid having a

leveler extending from the underside of the moveable lid; wherein the leveler defines an elongated straight edge.

[0003b] In a second aspect, the present disclosure provides a cover for attachment to a container of scoopable material, the cover comprising: a collar; and a moveable lid attached to the collar by a hinge that allows the lid to pivot relative to the collar about a hinge axis, the lid having a leveler extending from the underside of the moveable lid; wherein the leveler defines an elongated straight edge.

[0004] The present application describes a container for scoopable material. In one exemplary embodiment, the container for scoopable material includes a container body defining a reservoir to hold the scoopable material, a collar attached to the container body, and a lid hingedly attached to the collar. The lid includes a leveler extending from the underside of the lid to define a leveling edge for leveling a scoop of scoopable material. In one exemplary

What is claimed is:

1. A container for scoopable material, the container comprising:

a container body defining a reservoir to hold the scoopable material;

a collar attached to the container body; and

a moveable lid hingedly attached to the collar and moveable between an open position wherein the contents of the container can be dispensed from the reservoir and a closed position wherein the lid is resealed to the collar, the lid having a leveler extending from the underside of the moveable lid;

wherein the leveler defines an elongated straight edge.

2. The container of claim 1, wherein the leveler is positioned internally from an outside edge of the lid.

3. The container of claim 1, wherein an entire length of the elongated straight edge is non-contiguous with an outer edge of the lid.

4. The container of claim 1, wherein an entire length of the elongated straight edge of the leveler is less than a distance from a first outer edge of the lid to a second outer edge of the lid.

5. The container of claim 1, wherein the elongated straight edge does not extend from a first outer edge of the lid to a second outer edge of the lid.

6. The container of claim 1, further comprising a scoop.

7. The container of claim 6, wherein a length of the elongated straight edge of the leveler is longer than a diameter of the scoop.

8. The container of claim 6, wherein a scoop overfilled with a scoopable powder may be leveled off by manually scrapping a top edge of the scoop across the elongated straight

edge.

9. The container of claim 8, wherein the leveler defines a cavity into which excess scoopable material may migrate from the scoop when the scoop is rubbed against the leveler.

10. The container of claim 8, wherein excess scoopable material removed from the scoop when the scoop is rubbed against the leveler falls by gravity within the container.

11. The container of claim 6, wherein the scoop is removably attached to the underside of the lid in an initial position.

12. The container of claim 1, wherein the leveler extends generally perpendicular to the underside of the lid.

13. The container of claim 1, wherein the base is cylindrical or obloid.

14. The container of claim 1, wherein the lid is pivotable relative to the collar about a hinge axis, and wherein the elongated straight edge extends parallel to the hinge axis.

15. A cover for attachment to a container of scoopable material, the cover comprising:

a collar; and

a moveable lid attached to the collar by a hinge that allows the lid to pivot relative to the collar about a hinge axis, the lid having a leveler extending from the underside of the moveable lid;

wherein the leveler defines an elongated straight edge.

16. The cover of claim 15, wherein the leveler extends generally perpendicular to the underside of the lid.

17. The cover of claim 15, wherein the leveler wherein an entire length of the elongated straight edge is non-contiguous with an outer edge of the lid.