

POLYPHENOLS AS POLYCARBONATE BRANCHING AGENTS

ABSTRACT

5 Branched polycarbonates are prepared by the reaction of
a linear or branched polycarbonate with a branching resin having a
molecular weight up to about 3,000, typically a novolak or a bisphenol
polymer. The reaction preferably takes place in the presence of a
carbonate equilibration catalyst such as a quaternary bisphenolate.