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New Appointments Announced for DSM Desotech, DSM Somos

DSM Desotech, a world leader in the development of high-performance UV-curable materials, is pleased to announce the following recent appointments pertaining to its DSM Somos business:

Mr. Jim Reitz, previously Business Director DSM Somos has been named Business Director UVention™ for DSM Desotech. In 2007 DSM Desotech formalized its innovation effort with the launch of the UVention™ group, dedicated to the formulation of specialty UV/EB curable coating solutions. Mr. Reitz assumes direction of strategic and administrative business activity for this group, including two new businesses within the UVention™ portfolio: UVolve® Instant Floor Coatings (www.UVolveCoatings.com) and UVaCorr® anti-corrosion coatings for tube and pipe applications (www.UVaCorr.com).

Ms. Michelle Brand succeeds Mr. Reitz as Business Director DSM Somos. Assuming direction of strategic and administrative business activity for DSM Somos, Ms. Brand oversees all aspects of sales, marketing, research and development, product development and technical service. Prior to her appointment at DSM Somos, she held the position of Global Key Account Manager for Ticona. She holds an MBA from Northern Illinois University's College of Business.

About DSM Somos

DSM Somos is a leading global material suppliers to the rapid prototyping industry, providing stereolithography (SL) resins used for the creation of three-dimensional models and prototypes directly from digital data. Patented SOMOS® ProtoFunctional™ materials are used in a variety of industries, including automotive, aerospace, medical and telecommunications. SOMOS® SL resins provide advanced technology to respond to the changing needs of new product development and industrial design. These materials demonstrate a varying range of performance properties including: transparency, superior humidity and heat resistance, and mechanical properties which replicate those of many production grade plastics such as polypropylene, polyethylene, ABS and PBT. DSM Somos is an unincorporated subsidiary of DSM Desotech Inc. (www.dsmdesotech.com), and part of the global DSM family (www.dsm.com). More information may be found at: www.dsmsomos.com .

About DSM Desotech

DSM Desotech (www.dsmdesotech.com) is a world leader in the development of high performance UV-curable materials. For the telecommunications industry, Desotech is the leading global supplier of

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UV-curable coatings, inks and matrix materials for the production of glass optical fiber and optical cable. In the rapid prototyping industry, DSM Desotech's Somos® group is a leading innovator of UV-curable stereolithography resins. In 2007 DSM Desotech launched its UVention™ group, dedicated to the formulation of custom UV/EB curable coatings for a wide variety of industries seeking solutions for challenging performance requirements. Since that time, two new business areas have been added to the UVention™ portfolio: UVolve® Instant Floor Coatings (www.UVolveCoatings.com) and UVaCorr® anti-corrosion coatings for tube and pipe applications (www.UVaCorr.com).

DSM Desotech is headquartered in Elgin, IL, USA, with facilities also located in Charlotte, NC, the Netherlands and China, as well as a joint venture in Japan. It is a business unit of DSM Resins and part of Royal DSM N.V. (www.dsm.com).

DSM – the Life Sciences and Materials Sciences Company

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