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DSM Desotech's UVentioTM group introduces UVaCorrTM UV-curable corrosion resistant coatings for tube & pipe

UV-curable coatings leader DSM Desotech has introduced a new line of UV-curable corrosion resistant coatings for metal tube & pipe. Developed by Desotech's dedicated UVentioTM group, the UVaCorrTM product line, which includes both clear and colored coatings, boasts several performance advantages over traditional solvent-based tube & pipe coatings, including:

- instant cure for high-speed processing
- 100% solid coatings for higher applied coverage and no VOCs
- better salt spray resistance for enhanced performance
- smaller equipment footprint with reduced energy requirements

"The tube and pipe industry is a fast-growing market for both clear and color UV coatings," says UVentio Market Platform Manager Dr. Anthony Toussaint. "Not only do these coatings provide greater productivity gains for manufacturers, but they offer a greener solution for the corrosion protection of tube and pipe products."

UVaCorrTM tube & pipe coatings will be officially introduced to the marketplace at the Tube 2008 International Tube & Pipe Trade Fair, held in Dusseldorf, Germany, March 31 – April 4.

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 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 (www.dsmsomos.com).

About UVentioTM

In 2007, DSM Desotech launched its UVentioTM group, dedicated to applying Desotech's 40+ years of experience in UV-curable materials development to industries where highly specialized UV coatings

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are needed for challenging substrates. UVention™ provides custom UV coatings for plastic, metal, glass and more. On March 18, 2008, DSM Desotech announced the acceleration of UVention's coatings development effort for tube and pipe with the acquisition of Polymeric Processes Inc. Additional information about DSM Desotech's UVention™ group can be found at www.UVention.com.

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