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HEXPOL Continues to Expand Capacity in Mexico

HEXPOL Compounding, the leading global provider of elastomer compounds, credits careful planning and a timely, phased expansion with positioning the company to meet the growing demand for rubber compounding in Mexico.

Significant expansion in capacity and capabilities over the past two years at HEXPOL's two campuses in Mexico – Aguascalientes and Queretaro – include the addition of mixing lines and a new cold room for temperature control to support sensitive, specialized product demand.

In November, HEXPOL will commission a new, advanced 135 L rubber mixing line that includes significant building and infrastructure extensions to the Queretaro campus. The inauguration of the new line, which is the third mixing line in Queretaro, will be celebrated with an Open House on Wednesday, November 16. The new line increases HEXPOL's total rubber compounding capacity in Mexico to more than 80,000 metric tons per year, an increase of 12,000 metric tons above current capacity.

“When the new line is operational, we will have six advanced mixing lines with Best-in-Class equipment and technology,” explained Tracy Garrison, President and Chief Executive Officer of HEXPOL Compounding North America. “As our customers grow, we will be prepared to support their continued success.”

HEXPOL has been in operation in Mexico longer than any other rubber compounder – since 2000. Queretaro recently celebrated its 16th anniversary.

Growth in Mexico is largely the result of growing business in the automotive industry. New auto plants, as well as new tier 1 and tier 2 auto parts manufacturers in Mexico's automotive production corridor are driving this growth.

“HEXPOL's timely expansion to become a key link to the automotive supply chain is the result of our commitment to the Mexican compounding market,” said Queretaro Managing Director Francisco Viliesid. The company also anticipates growth and significant opportunities in the mining and energy markets.

“As the leading and largest rubber compounder in Mexico, HEXPOL is a strategic partner, collaborating with our customers and providing an array of mixing and custom development solutions, as well as process improvement ideas that bring value to their operations,” Garrison concluded.

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About HEXPOL Compounding

HEXPOL is the leading global developer and manufacturer of quality polymer compounds. The company provides proprietary and standard rubber compounding solutions to the automotive and transportation; energy, oil & gas; wire and cable; medical and pharmaceutical; general industrial; building and construction; water treatment; tire and toll, and consumer markets.

Sixteen locations in North America include legacy names such as Gold Key Processing, Burton Rubber Processing, Chase Elastomer, Colonial Rubber Works, Robbins LLC, Kardoes Rubber, HEXPOL Silicone Compounding, and RheTech. HEXPOL capabilities include: Rubber Compounding, Rolls, Specialty Products, Tire and Toll, Retreading, Thermoplastic and TPE Compounding, Silicone Compounding, and Outsourcing Services.

Based in Malmo, Sweden, HEXPOL has a global footprint, with manufacturing facilities strategically located to serve customers across North America, Europe and Asia. HEXPOL is a U.S. \$1.3 billion a year business with 3,900 employees at 34 locations in 11 countries. HEXPOL is a public company traded on the Nordic Stock Exchange.