

POLIRIM DO BRASIL INAUGURATES A NEW PLANT DEDICATED TO TELENE® PDCPD

Polirim (Italy) and Sommartec (Brasil) major engineering plastic and composites providers to the European and Brazilian markets have formed a joint venture and have started a new Telene® pDCPD moulding operation in Caxias do Sul near Porto Alegre. Polirim do Brasil will operate in a 12,000 sqm facility, creating 200 jobs, initially.

By launching Telene® RIM production in Brasil, Polirim is offering a wider geographical coverage and Sommartec improves its processing platform available in South America, specifically for the OEMs requiring local supply of parts, including for small and medium series such as body panels for construction and agricultural vehicles, but also trucks and niche automotive segments.

"Polirim srl is one of our key customers and we share a long and successful history in Europe. We admire the entrepreneurial culture of Polirim, the customer centricity and quality of their products. We are proud that we are the chosen supplier of Polirim do Brasil and we are committed to support this new venture", said Alexander Daemen, president of Telene S.A.S.

TELENE®: LOW CARBON FOOT PRINT, HIGH PERFORMANCE, COST EFFECTIVE

Leading Telene® pDCPD supplier in Europe, Polirim can now offer the benefits of Telene® technology to South American based OEMs: excellent impact resistance, greater design freedom through the ability to achieve large and highly complex parts with an 'Class A' paint finish. Indeed, Telene® provides cost effective solutions through part integration, ability to mould different thicknesses within the same part, many solutions for moulded-in fixing points, and frequent design renewals thanks to lower cost mould tooling.





"Telene® complements our portfolio very well. Global OEMs are developing full size projects in Brasil and seek quick ways to increase output and productivity while keeping costs down. Telene® reduces considerably the cycle time compared to our traditional polyester based technologies while keeping low capital expenditure. Last but not least, Telene® is one of the material having the lowest environmental impact," said Ademir Somavilla, CEO Sommartec.

Polirim do Brasil production team leaders have spent extensive on-the-job training time in Italy, in the course of 2008 and 2009 and the production set-up has been engineered and supervised by the expert staff from Bagnatica (Italy). *"Our experience of working with Telene® systems as well as our co-engineering skills are readily available to our Brazilian customers. Polirim do Brasil is expected to be the first of several or Polirim's operations outside Europe including India, Russia and other fast growing regions."* declares Giacomo Baiguini, CEO Polirim.

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Telene SAS, a Rimtec Corporation company, develops and distributes Telene®, a two-component DCPD (dicyclopentadiene) resins system, converted by the RIM (Reaction Injection Moulding) process, and resulting in a high performance polymer. Its process and properties allow the formation of large, complex design parts, resistant to hostile environments and cost effective for small to medium series. Telene® has one of the lowest carbon footprint amongst available polymers.

Telene SAS headquarters, R&D centre and sales office for EMAE are located in Drocourt, France.