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Rhein Chemie at the Tire Technology Expo in Cologne, February 5 - 7, 2013

- **In the spotlight: Extended high-performance bladder portfolio and eco-friendly release agents**
- **Further possibilities to increase efficiency and quality in the manufacture of tires**

Mannheim, February 5, 2013 – Under the motto “Focusing on efficiency. For a world in motion.” Rhein Chemie is presenting its expanded portfolio of custom solutions for tire manufacturers at the Tire Technology Expo in Cologne, from February 5 - 7, 2013.

Rhein Chemie considerably expanded its range of Rhenoshape curing bladders by acquiring Tire Curing Bladders L.L.C. (TCB), Little Rock, USA in 2012. Products ranging from small bladders for the manufacture of go-cart tires to large bladders for tires of earth-movers, a huge variety of sizes for all common types of press is available now. Complementary to the range of Rhenoshape tire curing bladders are high-quality bladders for tire building machines which are marketed under the trade name of Rhenobuild.

In addition to the extensive Rhenodiv range of environmentally friendly tire release agents, Rhein Chemie now offers many solutions for tire manufacture from a single source. Permanent Rhenodiv bladder coatings in particular, which make possible the vulcanization of tires without the need for tire spray solutions containing silicones open up further possibilities for tire manufacturers to increase efficiency and quality.

The brilliant Rhenomark aqueous tire tread marking inks ensure that tire blanks and vulcanized tires are instantly identifiable. Their simple application, short drying time, and outstanding color brilliance make them even superior to conventional solvent-based products in many areas.

Rhein Chemie supplies the tire industry with a broad range of pre-dispersed polymer-bound additives, processing promoters, vulcanization and filler activators, anti-sun check waxes, release agents, tire marking inks and high-performance tire bladders.

About Rhein Chemie:

Rhein Chemie develops, produces and sells additives, specialty chemicals and service products for the rubber, lubricant and plastics industries. In fiscal 2011 Rhein Chemie achieved sales of EUR 332 million and has approximately 1,100 employees worldwide. The company is headquartered in Mannheim, Germany and has production facilities in Europe, Asia and North and South America. Rhein Chemie is a wholly owned subsidiary of the specialty chemicals group LANXESS, Leverkusen, Germany.

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