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Ashland showcases composite capabilities in Taiwan

Hosts seminars on various applications

Taiwan, July 5 – The composites industry is one of the key industries in Taiwan and has been in fast development for the past 10 years. The Taiwanese composite industry possesses a unique position in the global marketplace, particularly within the marine and transportation segments. A key focus is developing high-performance products to meet the needs of the premium market.

To this end, two seminar sessions will be co-organized by Ashland, Taiwan Composite Association, SOIC (Ship and Ocean Industries R&D Center), Taiwan Yachts Industry Association and Interland in Taipei and Kaohsiung City on July 6 - 8. Ashland experts will share insights of the market trends, challenges and solutions on Wind Energy, Corrosion Resistant, Marine, Transportation, Engineered Stone with the experts and leaders from universities, government and industries in Taiwan.

"The collaboration with Taiwan composite customers is a win-win strategy, as the matured technology applications and the pursuit of higher expertise sparks ignites Ashland and Taiwan customers to reposition and work more closely to make a success," said **Mike Chen**, general manager of Ashland Performance Materials in the Asia Pacific region. "We will place a full focus on the opportunities in marine, corrosion and wind energy sectors, in which Ashland has powerful global resources, expertise and experiences."

Added **Chao Joue**, general secretary of Taiwan Composites Association (TCA): "Ashland is a global leader in composites. We very much look forward to collaborating with Ashland to advance the technology of the composite industry here."

To learn more about the seminar, please contact Ms. Kate Hung by <u>gfrp@ms54.hinet.net</u> for Taipei session and Ms. Shallen Chen by <u>shallen@interlandco.com</u> for Kaohsiung session.

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