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Ashland announces price increase for epoxy vinyl ester resins, unsaturated polyester resins and gelcoats in North America

DUBLIN, Ohio - Ashland Performance Materials, a commercial unit of Ashland Inc. (NYSE: ASH), said today it will increase the price of specialty resins sold in North America effective February 17, 2014, or as contracts allow. Prices for AME™, AROTOOL™, DEREKANE™ and HETRON™ branded products will increase by \$0.07/lb. and unsaturated polyester and gelcoats will increase by \$0.04/lb.

About Ashland Performance Materials

Ashland Performance Materials is the global leader in unsaturated polyester resins and vinyl ester resins. In addition, it provides customers with leading technologies in gelcoats, pressure-sensitive and structural adhesives, coatings and elastomers.

About Ashland Inc.

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