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Merquinsa Announces Price Increase for PEARLSTICK® & PEARLBOND® TPU Specialty Resins

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Merquinsa announces a price increase of 200 EUR per metric ton across the European region, Middle East and the Indian subcontinent; and 300 USD per metric ton in Asia, Latin America and North America for all **PEARLSTICK® & PEARLBOND®** TPU specialty resins.

This price increase will be of immediate effect or as early as contracts allow.

“Despite our productivity efforts, the continued cost escalation in key polyurethane raw materials motivates this price increase”, said a company spokesman.

Customers interested in learning more about the price increase should contact their local Merquinsa sales representative.

About Merquinsa:

Merquinsa is a world leading thermoplastic polyurethane (TPU) specialty producer, providing globally innovative products for injection molding, extrusion, calendaring, melt coating, compounding and adhesives applications.

Merquinsa was granted the Frost & Sullivan 2008 Global Thermoplastic Urethane (TPU) Product Innovation Green Excellence of the Year Award. This award recognizes Merquinsa’s innovation in biopolymers, with its groundbreaking Bio TPU made from renewable carbon resources and successfully marketed globally under Pearlthane® and Pearlbond® ECO brands.

Merquinsa’s headquarters are in Barcelona, Spain with regional centers in Asia and North America.

For more information about Merquinsa, and **PEARLTHANE®**, **PEARLCOAT®**, **PEARLBOND®**, **PEARLSTICK®** and **DISPERBOND®** specialty TPU resins, please visit our Web site at www.merquinsa.com or call at + 34 93 572 11 00.

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