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News release

Composites One Presents Advanced Closed Mold Techniques at COMPOSITES & POLYCON 2007

Education for Those Serious About Closed Mold

Arlington Heights, IL, September 6, 2007...Manufacturers serious about converting to closed mold production will be able to see the benefits of those processes – right before their eyes – at educational sessions presented by Composites One at COMPOSITES & POLYCON 2007, October 17-18 at the Tampa Bay Convention Center.

Led by industry experts, the sessions will provide insights into advanced techniques of three closed mold technologies – Light Resin Transfer Molding (Light RTM), the Vacuum Infusion Process (VIP) and Closed Cavity Bag Molding (CCBM). Attendees will learn how to set up their own closed mold shop and build their own CCBM vacuum bag, become more familiar with LRTM troubleshooting and waxing techniques, understand the benefits of VIP laminate design and analysis software, and find out more about Composites One's Kit Concepts Faro Technology. Throughout the event, industry experts will be on hand to answer attendees' questions, explain aspects of each process, discuss equipment and materials, and display finished parts built through closed mold.

Unless noted, all sessions will be held in Composites One's exhibit area in the outdoor Demo Zone. Starting times per day are:

Wednesday, October 17

- 10:00 am - 10:55 am LRTM Troubleshooting Panel
- 11:00 am - 11:55 am How to Build a CCBM Bag
- 12:30 pm Ongoing LRTM Waxing Techniques*

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- 2:00 pm - 2:55 pm Kit Concepts Faro Technology
- 3:00 pm - 3:55 pm VIP - Vectorlam

Thursday, October 18

- 9:00 am - 9:55 am How to Set Up your Closed Mold Shop**
- 9:30 am Ongoing LRTM Waxing Techniques*
- 10:00 am - 10:55 am LRTM Troubleshooting Panel
- 11:00 am - 11:55 am How to Build a CCBM Bag
- 2:00 pm - 2:55 pm Kit Concepts Faro Technology
- 3:00 pm - 3:55 pm VIP - Vectorlam

* *Session to be held at Composites One Booth #309*

** *Room to be assigned – check at Booth #309*

The advanced sessions at COMPOSITES & POLYCON are the latest in Composites One's ongoing series of educational programs focused on closed mold technologies. At IBEX 2007, October 10-12 at the Miami Beach Convention Center, Composites One will present live, interactive demonstrations enabling boatbuilders to see the benefits of closed mold processes – right before their eyes. The VIP work cell at the IBEX event will focus on the infusion of a 15-foot skiff hull each day, while CCBM, a technology ideal for limited production runs of small to medium parts, will be used for producing hatch covers. Attendees can experience the efficiencies of high-volume closed mold production first-hand at the LRTM demo, where the team will produce two-foot catamaran assemblies for 6 hours daily.

"These events mark an important next step in the advancement of closed mold," said Marcy Offner, Composites One Marketing Manager. "We believe that tomorrow's closed mold shop can utilize all three of these processes. It's critical that our customers learn about

various processes so they can make a seamless transition from research and development to actual in-shop production.”

The live, three-day closed mold event at IBEX 2007 is the culmination of a joint effort between Composites One's Closed Mold University and its partners: 3M, Airtech Advanced Materials Group, Alcan Composites (Airex, Baltek and Lantor brands), Arctek Inc., Arkema, Cook Composites & Polymers, Chemtrend, Chomarar, Dynabrade, Glascraft, ITW Plexus, Owens Corning, Progress Plastiques, RTM North, and Vectorply. *Composites Manufacturing* is the official media sponsor of the event.

For more information about the demos, please visit Composites One Booths #309 and 417 at COMPOSITES & POLYCON 2007, visit Booth #2029 at IBEX 2007, visit www.compositesone.com or call Composites One at 800-621-8003.

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