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Closed Mold Alliance Launches Website

Composites One, Magnum Venus Plastech, RTM North and FormaShape to bring Closed Molding Information to Manufacturers via the Internet

Arlington Heights, IL, May 20, 2009...Composites One announced today that the Closed Mold Alliance has launched a website aimed at those wishing to convert to closed mold manufacturing. This website will provide guidance, online information, and tools to those interested in closed mold conversion. The website can be found at www.closedmoldalliance.com.

The website will offer general closed molding information, educational opportunities, access to expert consultation and closed mold specific products. Those visiting the site will also find various resources, including photos and videos, as well as a means to request a "How to Get Started in Closed Molding Kit". The site will also provide links to the Alliance member websites where more information can be found on closed molding, lean manufacturing, equipment and systems, tooling, and composites material information.

The Closed Mold Alliance is comprised of four industry leaders: Composites One, providing raw materials and products from over 400 industry suppliers; Magnum Venus Plastech (MVP), the industry's leading meter/mix equipment manufacturer with specific expertise in closed mold processes; RTM North, North America's leading Light RTM tooling expert; and FormaShape, a division of Whitewater Composites, a showcase RTM volume production facility and light RTM tooling manufacturer who is an industry leader in both closed mold tooling and closed mold FRP production.

The Alliance offers manufacturers closed mold education and expert consultation, customized tooling education and production, materials and equipment along with in-house start-up assistance and training. A series of closed

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mold-related educational programs is offered through *Closed Mold University* and provide excellent opportunities for manufacturers to gain technical knowledge, as well as practical, hands-on training and experience.

“Composites One and the Closed Mold Alliance are the industry leaders in closed mold education and conversion. The Alliance offers composites manufacturers the complete package of training, tooling, materials and equipment,” said Greg Shymske, Vice President of Marketing. “The Alliance also offers the strength of Composites One regulatory expertise helping to meet the needs created by today’s environmental concerns.”

“We are very pleased to offer this online tool together with MVP, RTM North and FormaShape. With our combined expertise, this is just another way the Closed Mold Alliance is able to provide the industry an effective road map to closed mold success,” concluded Shymske.

Composites One is the nation's leading distributor of composite materials serving customers from 33 locations in North America. Composites One offers composites fabricators and molders thousands of products from over 400 of the industry's top suppliers, many of them offering closed mold options, through a technical sales and customer service force that is the most knowledgeable in the industry. The company offers a variety of value added services that include closed mold technologies, technical applications reviews, and unmatched regulatory compliance assistance. For more information about the Closed Mold Alliance, please contact Composites One directly or visit www.closedmoldalliance.com.

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