

## **Solvay and Composites One announce North-America distribution agreement for the process materials and tooling product lines**

**Alpharetta, GA, December 12, 2018** --- Solvay has appointed Composites One as a new North America distributor for its process materials and tooling product lines. Composites One, now part of Solvay's authorized distribution network, will offer a large range of consumables, including vacuum bagging films, release films, release fabrics, peel plies, breather fabrics, sealant tapes and adhesive tapes, as roll stock or engineered kits, as well as tooling prepreg.

This new appointment provides Solvay with wider access to a large geography and multiple market segments, thus improving its ability to service customers.

*"Solvay's market approach is very much aligned with the Composites One value proposition – a broad portfolio delivered to customers through world-class service coupled with product and process technology expertise. Composites One has a proven track record of bringing technical products to market through its extensive North American distribution network and we are excited about this new opportunity."* said Maria Gallahue-Worl, Executive Vice President Industrial Business Line of Solvay's Composite Materials Global Business Unit.

*"Composites One and Solvay have entered into this partnership to expand their ability to service the entire composites industry. Solvay's expansive and recognized product line can be utilized in a wide variety of industrial and aerospace applications. It simplifies composite manufacturing processes, improves cost efficiencies, and fits in very well with our existing close mold process and advanced composites offerings. It also positions us to expand further in markets like Aerospace. We are excited about the potential this partnership offers both companies and our customers."* said Dave Smith, Composites One Vice President of Marketing.

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#### About Solvay Composite Materials

Solvay's new Global Business Unit Composite Materials is a global provider of technologically advanced light-weighting material solutions that enable our customers in the aerospace, automotive and other demanding industries to design, develop and efficiently manufacture high-quality, high-performance and complex composite structures. Composite Materials has the most extensive product portfolio, including prepregs, resin systems, adhesives and surfacing films, carbon fiber, textiles, tooling and vacuum bagging consumables, thanks to its leadership in advanced materials science, chemistry and application engineering. Solvay Composite Materials combines the former Cytac Aerospace Materials and Industrial Materials businesses.

**Solvay** is an advanced materials and specialty chemicals company, committed to developing chemistry that addresses key societal challenges. Solvay innovates and partners with customers worldwide in many diverse end markets. Its products are used in planes, cars, batteries, smart and medical devices, as well as in mineral and oil and gas extraction, enhancing efficiency and sustainability. Its light-weighting materials promote cleaner mobility, its formulations optimize the use of resources and its performance chemicals improve air and water quality. Solvay is headquartered in Brussels with around 26,800 employees in 61 countries. Net sales were €10.1 billion in 2017, with 90% from activities where Solvay ranks among the world's top 3 leaders, resulting in an EBITDA margin of 22%. Solvay SA (**SOLB.BE**) is listed on Euronext Brussels and Paris (Bloomberg: **SOLB.BB** - Reuters: **SOLB.BR**) and in the United States its shares (**SOLVY**) are traded through a level-1 ADR program. *Financial figures take into account the announced divestment of Polyamides.*

**Composites One** is the nation's leading supplier of composite materials serving customers from 41 locations in North America. Composites One offers composites fabricators and molders thousands of products from more than 600 of the industry's top suppliers 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. Certifications include AS9120 at five U.S. distribution locations, along with one distribution location in Canada. Composites One is headquartered in Arlington Heights, IL. To find more information visit [www.compositesone.com](http://www.compositesone.com) or call 800-621-8003.

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