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AMERICHEM RESTRUCTURES MANUFACTURING ASSETS

CUYAHOGA FALLS, Ohio, Oct. 22, 2007 — Americhem, a global supplier of color and additive solutions for polymer-based products, has announced several moves in its on-going manufacturing restructuring process. Current plans involve expanding its manufacturing plants in Concord, North Carolina and Mansfield Texas while phasing out operations at its Salisbury, Maryland plant.

"The expansions offer strategic advantages in overhead, cost structure and location," said Bob Tebbutt, Executive Vice President of Global Manufacturing for Americhem. "Growth at these facilities will have a positive effect on our overall efficiencies and allow us to continue to take client service to the next level.

Closely following the recent expansion of its Dalton, Georgia facility, the company plans to add new manufacturing lines in the North Carolina and Texas plants. This will increase production of color and additive masterbatches by 10-20% at both facilities.

"Growth at these locations will help us better address the evolving needs of our clients, particularly those in the fibers and building products industries," said Dave Bouton, Americhem's Vice President, Commercial. The North Carolina facility focuses on masterbatches for synthetic fibers while the Texas plant primarily manufactures products used in the building trade. "We're pleased to expand and offer greater resources that address the needs of these rapidly growing markets," Bouton continued.

Americhem completed the expansion of its Dalton, Georgia facility earlier this year. More than 15,000 square feet was added to the plant, including expanded production capabilities for polyolefin-based products.

The closure of the Maryland plant is expected to be complete by April 2008. Products currently produced at the smaller Salisbury facility will be transferred to other Americhem sites over the next several months. Currently there are 29 employees at this facility and the company expects several to be transferred to other locations.

"We are excited about the many growth opportunities in the NAFTA color and additives markets," said Bouton. "Our expansion will not only enable us to provide even better service to our clients, but also increase our focus on new growth initiatives."

ABOUT AMERICHEM

Americhem is a global organization that specializes in custom color and additive masterbatch solutions. The company's clients enjoy access to products with superior performance and batch-to-batch consistency, backed by complete technical support that ensures quality, reliability and value. Americhem operates eight manufacturing plants and also maintains representative sales offices in Shanghai, Seoul, Mexico City and Luxembourg. Corporate research & development facilities and headquarters are located in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. For more information visit Americhem.com or call 800.228.3476.