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AMERICHEM ACHIEVES ISO 9001 CERTIFICATION AT SUZHOU MANUFACTURING PLANT

SUZHOU, China, Feb. 13, 2008 – Americhem, a global provider of custom color and additive solutions for polymer-based products, recently achieved ISO 9001 certification at its Suzhou, China manufacturing facility. The addition of the Suzhou plant completes the company's multi-site ISO certification for all of its worldwide locations.

"By achieving this certification, our current and future clients can be assured that the same rigorous quality standards used in the U.S. are also practiced in our plants worldwide. Our multi-national clients will enjoy product consistency from plant to plant around the globe. Achieving ISO certification at all of our global manufacturing facilities clearly illustrates our technical expertise, which we believe will build the confidence needed to fuel our commercial developments and growth," said Frank Copa, Director of International Sales & Marketing of Americhem.

In order to prepare for the certification, the Americhem Suzhou team began the extensive process of transferring all Americhem's quality systems and procedures from North America in early 2007. The process included the translation of all internal documents, training staff, internal quality control audits, and working with consultants to refine practices. "With ISO certification at Suzhou, we have expanded our current quality manufacturing platform, which includes our Manchester, U.K. facility servicing the regions of Europe, the Middle East and Africa," continued Copa.

ISO auditors reviewed the complete quality system during their assessment, including all procedures, documents, training plans, inventory systems, work instructions and practices. The Suzhou facility will undergo yearly audits to maintain its certification along with all facilities worldwide.

"Most of our clients ask immediately if we have ISO certification so this will certainly help to increase confidence," said Bill Muck, General Manager of Americhem (Suzhou) Co., Ltd. "This was a big project and our people did an outstanding job implementing new protocols. Key to the project was our EHS Engineer, Stephanie Gao, as well as our internal management team. The project involved our entire team from operators to management. Our investment in Suzhou will definitely benefit our clients."

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, 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.