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AMERICHEM CHINA CELEBRATES 10th ANNIVERSARY

SUZHOU, China (JANUARY 28, 2016) – Americhem Inc., a global provider of color and additive solutions for plastics and synthetic fibers, celebrates the 10th anniversary of its Suzhou, China, plant.

“We are proud of our growth in ten years,” said Stanley Teoh, Americhem’s vice president and managing director for the Asia Pacific region. “What started out as an empty lot in Suzhou Industrial Park became our first plant in the region, and we have since doubled the plant size and capacity.”

Americhem’s presence in China began in 2004, when a representative sales office opened in Shanghai. The staff in the early years helped build demand for Americhem products, which were initially supplied from the company’s U.S. plants. The Suzhou plant construction also commenced in 2004 and was dedicated in 2006 with a Chinese grand opening ceremony featuring a traditional lion dance.

Other milestones include Americhem China’s first trade show, the 2006 ShanghaiTex exhibition, which brought together industry leaders from throughout the Asia Pacific region. The plant was certified to the ISO 9001 quality management system in 2008 and was subsequently accredited to the ISO 13485 medical device standard in 2015.

The growth of the business in the Asia Pacific region picked up to the point where a major expansion of the Suzhou plant took place in 2014. The expansion doubled the size of the plant and allowed Americhem China to add manufacturing lines, including those used to manufacture the products of Americhem’s sister company, Infinity LTL Engineered Compounds, in China.

“This 10th anniversary is a major accomplishment for our company,” said John Deignan, president of Americhem. “What started as a brand-new facility in the heart of industrial China has grown into the substantial business we see today. I can’t wait to see what happens in the next ten years and beyond.”

For more information about Americhem’s Suzhou plant and its 10th anniversary, contact Scott Blanchard at sblanchard@americhem.com.

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