

News Release

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Celanese to Add Fortron® PPS Compounding Capability to Nanjing Integrated Chemical Complex

DALLAS, FRANKFURT and SHANGHAI (April 23, 2014) – [Celanese Corporation](#) (NYSE: CE), a global technology and specialty materials company, today announced that the company will expand its compounding capabilities at its Nanjing, China, integrated chemical complex to include [Fortron®](#) polyphenylene sulfide (PPS). The PPS compounding expansion is expected to be operational by year-end 2014.

“The Fortron PPS compounding expansion is part of the Celanese growth strategy to directly serve our customers in China and the broader Asia region, which are both experiencing impressive growth,” said Phil McDivitt, vice president and general manager of the engineered materials business of Celanese. “Leveraging our resources at the Nanjing facility – and our network of technical and sales support in China – accelerates our ability to deliver innovative solutions and grades, including the recently launched CES50, ICE, FLEX and our existing proven materials, which deliver value for our customers in Asia.”

Fortron PPS is a high-performance polymer that can withstand high thermal, chemical and mechanical stress and is used in a wide variety of applications. Fortron PPS is inherently flame retardant and does not require the use of halogen-containing flame retardants to achieve UL94 V0 rating. This semi-crystalline polymer is used to replace metals and thermosets in:

- **Automotive:** Fuel systems, transmission components, water management, air management and electronics.
- **Electrical / Electronics:** Sensors, connectors, plugs, switches, sockets, transformers, bobbins and circuit boards.
- **Aerospace:** Structural and non-structural aircraft composite components.
- **Fluid Handling:** Enhanced oil and gas recovery, pumps and valves, and potable water valves and fittings.
- **Industrial / Consumer:** Appliances, electronics, HVAC, technical fibers and fabrics for filtration and conveyor system components.

For more product and performance information about Fortron PPS, visit:
<http://celanese.com/engineered-materials/products/Fortron-PPS.aspx>

Fortron PPS is manufactured at the Fortron Industries plant in Wilmington, N.C., with a 15,000 metric ton annual capacity. Fortron's operation in Wilmington is a joint venture of Kureha Corporation and Celanese Corporation.

About Celanese

Celanese Corporation is a global technology leader in the production of differentiated chemistry solutions and specialty materials used in most major industries and consumer applications. With sales almost equally divided between North America, Europe and Asia, the company uses the full breadth of its global chemistry, technology and business expertise to create value for customers and the corporation. Celanese partners with customers to solve their most critical needs while making a positive impact on its communities and the world. Based in Dallas, Texas, Celanese employs approximately 7,400 employees worldwide and had 2013 net sales of \$6.5 billion. For more information about Celanese Corporation and its product offerings, visit www.celanese.com or our blog at www.celaneseblog.com.

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About Kureha Corporation

Kureha Corporation is a leading specialty products company, strategically incorporating advanced R&D capabilities and production in fields including advanced materials, pharmaceuticals, agrochemicals, and packaging materials. The company will constantly evolve by pushing boundaries in innovation, and by delivering world-class products that benefit society and the world. To support its mission of "the pursuit of excellence", the Company operates on the principles of its corporate identity: we treasure people and the natural environment, we constantly evolve through innovation, and we contribute to society by developing beneficial products. Kureha Corporation is listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE code 4023) and has manufacturing locations in Japan, China, Vietnam, the Netherlands and the United States. Established in 1944, it now employs approximately 4000 people and had sales of 130.5 billion yen (\$1,388 million) in fiscal 2012. For more information, see www.kureha.co.jp.