



## **Momentive Specialty Chemicals and ISK Collaborate to Support Bakelite® Engineering Thermosets in North American**

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COLUMBUS, Ohio - (Sept. 11, 2013) – Bakelite® engineering thermosets from Momentive Specialty Chemicals Inc. (“Momentive Specialty Chemicals”, “MSC” or the “Company”) have stood the “test of time” when called upon for high heat and chemical resistance in various applications. Evolved from the original Bakelite® materials created by Dr. Leo Baekeland in 1907, modern versions of Bakelite® materials have found use again in automotive under-the-hood components as cost-effective, lightweight replacements for steel and cast aluminum parts.

Much of the application development of the Bakelite® thermoset resins for the European automotive market originated from the engineering expertise of Iserlohner Kunststoff-Technologie GmbH (ISK). Now, in a collaborative effort between MSC and ISK, future North American programs are being supported with the same expertise and time-tested performance that have gone into European-produced cars and trucks.

“Weight reduction, and increasingly, temperature management are top concerns among automobile manufacturers,” said Cedric Ball, automotive business development manager for Momentive Specialty Chemicals. “The exclusive agreement reached with ISK helps us bring established technical solutions to customers in North America.”

Through the agreement, ISK, a private German engineering firm, will deliver their technical expertise in Bakelite® materials, part production, mold design and molding process optimization to North American customers. For more than 15 years, ISK has worked with industry leaders and research organizations to generate collaborative projects and technology transfer across areas of injection molding and composites technology.

For more information regarding thermoset resins for the automobile market, please contact Francis Defoor at +32 47 555 2834, or at [francis.defoor@momentive.com](mailto:francis.defoor@momentive.com).

### About the Company

Based in Columbus, Ohio, Momentive Specialty Chemicals Inc. (formerly known as Hexion Specialty Chemicals, Inc.) is the global leader in thermoset resins. Momentive Specialty Chemicals Inc. serves the global wood and industrial markets through a broad range of thermoset technologies, specialty products and technical support for customers in a diverse range of applications and industries. Momentive Specialty Chemicals Inc. is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Momentive Performance Materials Holdings LLC.

### About Momentive

Momentive Performance Materials Holdings LLC (“Momentive”) is the ultimate parent company of Momentive Performance Materials Inc. and Momentive Specialty Chemicals Inc. Momentive is a global leader in specialty chemicals and materials, with a broad range of advanced specialty products that help industrial and consumer companies support and improve everyday life. Its technology portfolio delivers tailored solutions to meet the diverse needs of its customers around the world. Momentive was formed in October 2010 through the combination of entities that indirectly owned Momentive Performance Materials Inc. and Hexion Specialty Chemicals Inc. The capital structures and legal entity structures of both Momentive Performance Materials Inc. and Momentive Specialty Chemicals Inc. (formerly known as Hexion Specialty Chemicals, Inc.), and their respective subsidiaries and direct parent companies, remain separate. Momentive Performance Materials Inc. and Momentive Specialty Chemicals Inc. file separate financial and other reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Momentive is controlled by investment funds affiliated with Apollo Global Management, LLC. Additional information about Momentive and its products is available at [www.momentive.com](http://www.momentive.com).

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