

Press release

marketing communication

TenCate Advanced Composites completes relocation into new facility

TenCate Advanced Composites North America has completed the relocation of its former Benicia California prepreg facility to a 65,000 square foot aerospace certified facility in Fairfield California. The new facility is only ten miles from the former site, which allows TenCate to maintain the original highly skilled work force.

The new facility consolidates three separate sites in Benicia to one common facility allowing greater efficiency and flow in manufacturing. Paul Draghi, Vice President of Manufacturing states: 'The Fairfield facility has been extensively upgraded with additional power, freezer storage for climate control of our composite laminates, Quality Control labs, and office space'.

Increased capacity

As reported earlier this year, the Fairfield location has received AS9100:2009 Rev C approval. The new facility complements TenCate's existing Morgan Hill facility providing customers with two sites for redundancy and additional capacity. As part of this new investment, CCS Composites – which is also a subsidiary of TenCate – has increased pressing capacity by 50%. Equipment additions include five-axis routing capability and 1,000 ton pressing capacity for large parts.

Highly skilled workforce

Joe Morris, President of TenCate's North American operations notes: 'Customers have been very impressed with the facility and the highly disciplined product validation methodology which allowed for streamlined customer approvals. The new facility is only ten miles from the Benicia site, which allows TenCate to maintain the original highly skilled work force which was an important goal for the relocation'.

**TenCate Advanced Composites North America
Morgan Hill (California), United States of America, Friday 10 February 2012**

Note for the editor:

Digital pictures are on request available via: media@tencate.com

TenCate Advanced Composites North America
Joe Morris, President North America

Ten Cate Nederland bv

Stationsstraat 11
7607 GX Almelo
P.O. Box 58
7600 GD Almelo
The Netherlands

Tel +31 546 544 911
Fax +31 546 814 145
www.tencate.com
media@tencate.com

KvK nr. 06036179
Royal Bank of Scotland 465443753
BTW nr. NL 004645054B28

Telephone : + 1 408.776.0700
Email : j.morris@tencate.com
Internet : www.tencateadvancedcomposites.com

TenCate (corporate)

Jaap de Carpentier Wolf, Head Corporate Communication

Telephone : + 31 546 544306
Mobile : + 31 6 23317352
Email : media@tencate.com
Internet : www.tencate.com

TenCate Advanced Composites is a leading prepreg manufacturer of thermoset and thermoplastic composites serving the aircraft, satellite and industrial markets. TenCate Advanced Composites has facilities in Europe and North America.

Royal Ten Cate (TenCate) is a multi-national company that combines textile technology with related chemical processes and material technology in the development and production of functional materials with distinctive characteristics. Products of TenCate are sold worldwide.

Systems and materials from TenCate come under four areas of application: safety & protection, space & aerospace, infrastructure & the environment, and sport & recreation. TenCate occupies leading positions in protective fabrics, composites for space and aerospace, anti-ballistics, geosynthetics and synthetic turf. TenCate is listed on the NYSE Euronext (AMX).