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TenCate Advanced Composites receives Supplier Excellence Award from General Atomics Aeronautical Systems

TenCate Advanced Composites North America has received a Supplier Excellence Award from General Atomics Aeronautical Systems Inc. This award recognizes TenCate for outstanding quality and delivery performance concerning composite prepreg materials.

TenCate Advanced Composites is among 45 suppliers from a total of 437 suppliers recognized for this award, having achieved a minimum 95% on-time delivery performance, and a 98% quality performance ranking. TenCate has been a supplier of composite prepreps to Unmanned Aircraft System programs of General Atomics Aeronautical Systems since inception. Scott Unger, North American Group President states: 'We take great pride in receiving this award, and supporting General Atomics' mission success on key Unmanned Aircraft System programs.'

TenCate Advanced Composites operates a *kanban* system – providing production and inventory based on consumption of customers – providing General Atomics Aeronautical Systems with weekly material replenishments. TenCate is a key supplier of "out of autoclave" composite prepreps for several Unmanned Aircraft System programs.

**TenCate Advanced Composites North America
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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).