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TenCate signs Kyokuto Boeki Kaisha Ltd for representation in Japan

TenCate Advanced Composites, a leading supplier of advanced thermoset and thermoplastic composites materials has signed a distribution agreement with Kyokuto Boeki Kaisha Ltd for representation in Japan. Kyokuto Boeki Kaisha will support and distribute thermoset and thermoplastic composite materials of TenCate, and represent the molded part capabilities of TenCate Advanced Composites in the Japanese market.

Steve Mead, Vice President of Marketing & Sales at TenCate Advanced Composites states: "We are pleased to have a formal partnership with Kyokuto Boeki Kaisha. The company has an excellent reach into a number of core industries in Japan that are focus areas in the overall Asia strategy for TenCate Advanced Composites, including aerospace, automotive and industrial markets. The expertise of Kyokuto Boeki Kaisha in the thermoplastic materials segment aligns well with the thermoplastic product portfolio of TenCate".

Keisuke Matsubara, General Manager of Kyokuto Boeki Kaisha in Japan, responds: "The focus of Kyokuto Boeki Kaisha on engineering services along with material distribution provides added value to our customers when using highly engineered material solutions. We are proud to be associated with materials technology company TenCate, and to further deliver their material solutions in Japan." Kyokuto Boeki Kaisha is a high tech trading firm specializing in advanced composites materials, production equipment and services. The company maintains fifteen offices throughout Japan and serves not only the composites industry but a wide range of industrial segments with both materials and equipment.

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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 and representation in Asia.

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).

Kyokuto Boeki Kaisha Ltd is a high tech distributor specialized in engineering products, equipment and services with long experience to both domestic and overseas industries through 15 local offices in Japan and more than 10 worldwide outfits.