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SYRGIS PERFORMANCE INITIATORS BREAKS GROUND ON NEW LABORATORY

Composites 2010: The Composites Exhibition and Convention – LAS VEGAS - (Feb. 9, 2010) – Syrgis Performance Initiators, Inc., a subsidiary of Syrgis, Inc., an international diversified group of fine and specialty chemical manufacturers, today announced it has broken ground on a new stand-alone laboratory facility to support its global organic peroxides business. The new facility is expected to be completed by May 2010.

“Technology leadership and application expertise are key strengths of each Syrgis company,” said Andy Harris, Syrgis CEO. “A key component of our strategy is to continuously improve our technology position across the corporation. We are committed to making the investments to implement this strategy and accelerate our innovation program, even more so in today’s uncertain times. This new laboratory will provide Syrgis and our customers with additional tools for further differentiation in the organic peroxides marketplace.”

The new laboratory will be located at Syrgis’ world-class manufacturing facility in Helena, Ark., and will provide support for Syrgis’ global manufacturing enterprise as well as global customers.

“This investment reflects Syrgis’ commitment to the reinforced fiberglass composite markets as well as to manufacturing in the United States and the state of Arkansas. When completed, the facility will further strengthen Syrgis’ capabilities to provide solutions optimized for the processes of our discerning customers,” Harris added.

Syrgis Performance Initiators produces methyl ethyl ketone peroxides (MEKP) at facilities in Helena and Köpmanholmen, Sweden. Syrgis also manufactures benzoyl peroxide (BPO) at its facility in Arkansas. These organic peroxides are used to initiate the reactions of various composite polymer systems and enable solutions to be provided for varied end-use applications ranging from wind turbine blades, to shower stall enclosures, to synthetic marble, to automotive body putty, to road marking paint, to fiberglass boats, to infrastructure pipe.

About Syrgis

Syrgis is an international diversified group of fine and specialty chemical manufacturers. Headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, Syrgis is a suite of companies that includes Syrgis Performance Specialties, Syrgis Performance Chemicals (PChem), and Syrgis Performance

Initiators — all worldwide leaders in their respective niche markets. Syrgis companies deliver high-quality products that meet the exacting standards of leading chemical solution providers in the automotive, building materials, composites, cosmetic, mining, oil and gas, paints and coatings, personal care, plastics, renewable energy, transportation and water treatment industries. With strong backing from Cleveland, Ohio-based Edgewater Capital Partners, Syrgis is dedicated to delivering the high-performance products its customers need, supported by exceptional customer service and technical application expertise. To learn more, please visit www.syrgis.com.

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