

Evonik Cyro Launches ACRYLITE® Hi-Gloss Co-Extruded Acrylic Sheet

New Design Skips Adhesion Process, Offers Enhanced Luminosity, Durability, Gloss

PARSIPPANY, N.J., May 17, 2012 – Evonik Cyro LLC today launched [ACRYLITE® Hi-Gloss](#), a co-extruded acrylic sheet with two homogenous layers that eliminates the adhesion process preventing cavities or joints.

ACRYLITE® Hi-Gloss is a cost-effective solution for customers offering the same depth effect, luminosity and high-end gloss look as back-painted glass. During co-extrusion, [ACRYLITE®](#) molding compounds are independently plasticized and fused together to form a homogenous composite. This enhances the product's durability and prevents any scrapes, smudges or color damaging scratches. The new design process eliminates subsequent coating processes such as lamination and painting necessary when producing back-painted glass.

“At Evonik, we believe the key to delivering excellent products to our customers is working with them to understand their needs,” said Antoinette Spages, product line manager of Evonik acrylic sheet specialties. “The adhesion process has always created a challenge for our customers, especially when it creates cavities and joints. The co-extruded two-layer acrylic sheet design of ACRYLITE® Hi-Gloss allows our customers to skip multiple fabrication steps and improves the product performance.”

ACRYLITE® Hi-Gloss combines a thin layer of color topped with crystal-clear acrylic. The color is integrated into the acrylic so customers have the freedom to glue, fabricate or form it as desired without compromising the color.

The product's enhanced properties are designed for application in store fixtures, exhibition booths, kitchens, bathrooms, retail displays, architectural interiors, wall partitions, furniture and engravings. Used as large wall elements, ACRYLITE Hi-Gloss gives home spaces a tastefully luxurious look.

ACRYLITE® Hi-Gloss will be available in six colors – taupe, red, lemon, silver and two shades of white – and three laminated décor patterns – brushed aluminum, timber and floral night and will be launched at the [American Institute of Architects \(AIA\) conference](#) in Washington, D.C on May 17, 2012.

For additional information on ACRYLITE Hi-Gloss, visit www.acrylite.net or call 800-631-5384. Please visit acrylite-shop.com to purchase samples or prototype materials.

For additional information about Evonik in North America, please visit our website: www.evonik.com/north-america.

Company information

Evonik, the creative industrial group from Germany, is one of the world leaders in specialty chemicals. Its activities focus on the key megatrends health, nutrition, resource efficiency and globalization. Profitable growth and a sustained increase in the value of the company form the heart of Evonik's corporate strategy. Evonik benefits specifically from its innovative prowess and integrated technology platforms.

Evonik is active in over 100 countries around the world. In fiscal 2011 more than 33,000 employees generated sales of around €14.5 billion and an operating profit (adjusted EBITDA) of about €2.8 billion.

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