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Composites One and Zyx Performance Materials Announce Distribution Agreement *Products to Include Carbon Nanotube Strengthened Epoxies, Adhesives, and Prepregs*

Arlington Heights, IL, June 03, 2010...Composites One announced a distribution agreement with Zyx Performance Materials (ZPM), a recognized worldwide leader in nanomaterials applications. Composites One will be distributing ZPM's Epovex, Epovex Adhesive and Arovex products.

"Composites One is an excellent partner for Zyx Performance Materials. The use of nano-enhanced composites is growing and distribution is a key aspect of this developing market. From our offices in Ohio, we can reach customers across North America," says Lance Criscuolo, President of Zyx Performance Materials. "Composites One serves over 8,000 customers. When someone considers using the most advanced and highest performing carbon nanotube resin systems and prepregs available today, it's likely that they are already a Composites One customer."

"Zyx Performance Materials offers a collection of nano-enhanced products that can enhance the performance of composite materials that our customers routinely use," commented Leon Garoufalis, President of Composites One. "After touring their facility, I was impressed that they have developed such technologically advanced materials, yet designed them to handle as easy and in the same way as traditional composites. Adding these products to our portfolio helps deliver the latest technology to our customers without asking them to adjust the way they do business."

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Epovex® is a new line of liquid epoxy resins from ZPM. Epovex® resins are high performance, carbon nanotube strengthened epoxies ideal for numerous composites and adhesives applications. ZPM's patented and proven nanotube dispersion technology gives Epovex® superior structural performance. Epovex® processes similarly to unfilled epoxy resins and can be cured with a wide range of curing agents. Epovex® is available in both bisphenol-A and bisphenol-F types.

Epovex® epoxy resins are recommended for use in composite manufacturing processes such as filament winding, pultrusion, and hand lay-up. Epovex® epoxy resins can be used with most types of reinforcing fibers and fabrics such as carbon, glass, and aramid. It can also be used in adhesive and coatings applications with the proper choice of curing agent.

Arovex® is a high performance prepreg using Epovex® resin. The use of Epovex®, optimized for use in a prepreg, offers dramatically superior mechanical properties over conventional prepreps without CNTs. Arovex® is available in standard, intermediate, and high modulus carbon fibers, glass, and as a unidirectional, woven, or knitted material. Large custom material orders for Arovex® are also available.

Zyvex Performance Materials unlocks the power of nanomaterials. Headquartered in Columbus, OH, with partner facilities in Texas, South Dakota, and Washington, ZPM was the first company to bring nano-enhanced products to the marketplace. Their commercially proven technology makes composite products stronger, lighter, tougher, and stiffer. ZPM offers the world's highest performing prepreps, epoxy resins, and adhesives. ZPM also has an Advanced Composite Solutions team to develop innovative and disruptive solutions and help their customers create a new generation of advanced composite products.

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