Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics acquires American Fluoroseal Corporation

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Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics has completed the acquisition of American Fluoroseal Corporation [1] (AFC), a Maryland based manufacturer of fluoropolymer bags for medical use and sterile sampling systems for pharmaceutical manufacturing processes. The company operates from a single location in Gaithersburg (Maryland, United States) where both engineering and manufacturing are located.

AFC is considered a pioneer in the design and use of fluorinated ethylene propylene bags and has been producing innovative solutions for over 20 years. The company's products include Vuelife® culture bags; KryoSure® cryopreservation bags; and KryoVue® cryopreservation overwrap pouches.

"This acquisition of American Fluoroseal Corporation is complementary to the Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics film production and single use systems for biopharmaceutical manufacturing. AFC now expands our product offering into the area of vessels or bags which are used in very specific cell culture applications. Thanks to Saint-Gobain's global reach, combining the companies will allow us to partner with our global customers wherever they operate," says Michael Cahill, Vice President of Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics' Fluid Systems division in which the AFC business will be integrated.

About Saint-Gobain
Saint-Gobain, the world leader in the habitat and construction markets, designs, manufactures and distributes building materials providing innovative solutions to meet the challenges of growth, energy-saving and environmental protection. With 2011 sales of $54 billion, Saint-Gobain operates in 64 countries and has nearly 195,000 employees. World leader in high performance plastics, Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics is headquartered in Aurora, Ohio (USA). The company employs 4,500 employees in 16 countries. Its product offer includes films, foams, coated fabrics, bearings, seals and fluid systems.

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