ExxonMobil Chemical Expands Plasticizer and Oxo Alcohol Plants in Asia Pacific

HOUSTON, Texas (June 29, 2004) - ExxonMobil Chemical has expanded its world-class plasticizer and oxo alcohol plants in Asia Pacific.

In Panyu, South China, capacity at the plasticizer plant has been expanded to 90,000 ton-per-year of di-isononyl phthalate (DINP). Capacity at ExxonMobil Chemical's oxo alcohol plant, located on Jurong Island in Singapore, has increased to 180,000 ton-per-year of iso-nonyl alcohol.

Both facilities have benefited from a series of operational improvements that have further increased efficiency and expanded capacity. Jin-Cher Tan, Intermediates commercial manager, Asia Pacific, ExxonMobil Chemical said, "This initiative will provide greater operating efficiencies to help us better meet customers' growing demand for C9 alcohol and plasticizers in the region."

ExxonMobil has consistently enhanced its manufacturing scale to respond to customers' needs worldwide. Dwight M. Lyman, Oxo global marketing manager, ExxonMobil Chemical added, “The capacity expansion in Asia Pacific demonstrates ExxonMobil Chemical's strong commitment to supply the largest and fastest growing region for PVC plasticizers."

Oxo alcohol is feedstock for the manufacture of plasticizers, which provide flexibility to many products, such as floor and wall coverings, wire and cable insulation, synthetic leathers, automotive applications and healthcare products.

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Editor's notes:

1) A photo is available at URL: http://www.businesswire.com/cgi-bin/photo.cgi?pw.070301/bb1.

2) The plasticizer plant in Panyu, China started up in 2000 with a capacity of 40,000 ton-per-year. The Singapore plant on Jurong Island started up in 2001 with a 150,000 ton-per-year oxo alcohol plant. Both are part of a highly integrated, world-scale complex supplying petrochemical products to the marketplace.

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