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Solutia's CPFilms Business Commissions New Metallizing Line for Producing Specialty Film Products

MARTINSVILLE, Va. – April 25, 2005 – Solutia Inc. (OTCBB: SOLUQ) today announced that its CPFilms business, a leading manufacturer of precision-coated films for industrial, commercial and solar control applications, has completed installation and successful start-up of a new state-of-the-art metallizing production line at its manufacturing facility in Martinsville, Va. The new metallizer, which joins three other metallizing lines already in place, will significantly increase the business' capacity and versatility.

According to Keith Dalton, vice president of Coating & Laminating and Vacuum Coating for Solutia's CPFilms business, "Adding this new metallizing line will help us continue to grow and enhance our solar control window films business, as well as meet the emerging needs of the precision coated films segment."

The new metallizing line is housed in a specially constructed 9,000 sq. ft. addition to the Martinsville plant facility. In keeping with other clean room production areas, the new unit is operated in a climate-controlled environment.

The metallizing line features digital optical monitoring capabilities to control the consistency of the metal deposition on the film. Plasma treatment capability is incorporated to meet the increasing market requirements for enhanced adhesion of metal depositions to film substrates.

In addition to producing solar control window films for commercial, automotive and consumer markets, other applications now supported by the new metallizing line include static-dissipative packaging, graphic arts, automotive badging, and specialty labels.

Dalton notes that the business' metallizing capabilities can also be combined with its extensive coating and laminating technologies to produce unique "hybrid" specialty film products, such as glassless mirrors used in large-screen rear projection televisions. "This new line, added to our existing metallizing lines, will give us more flexibility to schedule quick-turnaround on both long- and short-run projects," Dalton states. "Customers are encouraged to work with our application engineers, and explore all the design possibilities to come up with better-performing film solutions."

The new metallizer line was commissioned March 1, 2005. Working closely with global vacuum equipment manufacturer, Applied Films Corporation, the new line was actually installed six weeks ahead of schedule, with full production beginning only two weeks later. According to Dalton, "we could not have been more pleased with the technical and engineering support from Applied Films."

Solutia's CPFilms business is a leading worldwide manufacturer of precision coated polymer films. Its production capabilities include a wide range of film enhancement technologies including coating and laminating, silicone release coating, deep dyeing, and vacuum coating,

including thermal evaporation and sputter coating. With production facilities in the United States and the United Kingdom, CPFilms supports a worldwide clientele consisting of Fortune 1000 companies and other leading OEM manufacturers.

For more information on the products and services of CPFilms' Precision Coated Films Division, call (276) 627-3332, e-mail your request to indprod@cpfilms.com, or visit <http://www.cpfilms.com>.

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Corporate Profile

Solutia (<http://www.Solutia.com>) uses world-class skills in applied chemistry to create value-added solutions for customers, whose products improve the lives of consumers every day. Solutia is a world leader in performance films for laminated safety glass and after-market applications; process development and scale-up services for pharmaceutical fine chemicals; specialties such as water treatment chemicals, heat transfer fluids and aviation hydraulic fluid and an integrated family of nylon products including high-performance polymers and fibers. Solutia ... Solutions for a Better Life.

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