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AMERICAN CHEMISTRY COUNCIL PLASTICS DIVISION MEMBERSHIP RANKS GROW

WASHINGTON, DC (October 26, 2010) – The American Chemistry Council (ACC) is pleased to announce that three major plastics producers – LyondellBasell, Styron LLC, and Braskem America – have joined ACC’s Plastics Division. Bob Patel (Senior VP Olefins & Polyolefins), Mark Nikolich (Vice President - Commercial), and Paul Moyer (Vice President and General Manager, Plastics) have all been appointed to serve on the Division’s Operating Committee.

“The companies that have joined the Plastics Division are some of the largest in their respective markets, and their participation significantly strengthens the unified voice of the plastic resin supplier industry,” said Steve Russell, Plastics Division Vice President. “The presence of these industry leaders enhances the Plastics Division’s ability to carry out its mission – to create unlimited opportunities for plastics and to promote plastics’ unique environmental and societal benefits – and is a reflection of the industry’s confidence in our ability to deliver meaningful results and business value in a challenging climate,” he added.

The new members are:

- Braskem America, Inc. of Philadelphia, PA; one of the leading producers of polypropylene in the U.S.;
- LyondellBasell of Houston, TX; one of the world’s largest plastics companies; and
- Styron LLC of Berwyn, PA; a leading producer of plastics, latex, and rubber.

“LyondellBasell is pleased to join other leading companies in our industry as members of the Plastics Division,” said Bob Patel. “The Plastics Division will support our efforts to add value for our customers and to promote the benefits and sustainability of these products.”

“The Plastics Division’s focus on innovative approaches and sustainability fits well with our corporate strategy” added Braskem’s Mark Nikolich. “By working collaboratively with partners the Division creates value for us on virtually every major policy initiative affecting plastics.”
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Styron’s Paul Moyer says “we look forward to standing with our fellow industry leaders to educate policy makers, our business partners and consumers about the sustainability and benefits of plastics.”

The Plastics Division’s membership includes the nation’s leading producers of plastic resins and resin technologies, and is leading the world in breakthrough innovations to improve the quality of our lives, our environment, and our economy.

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