

News Focus

Polyurethanes Can Make You More Beautiful!

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PUdaily, Shanghai-- Welcome to PUdaily! Time flies! the Singles' Day (November 11) is already behind us. Today, we will introduce to you some polyurethane beauty products. Beauty blenders can be used to put on makeup. Beauty blenders in different shapes can replace various brushes such as powder puff, eye shadow, eyeliner, blusher, loose powder and concealer. Currently, it is one of the most versatile beauty tools. Beauty blenders are made of non-latex material or latex material. Non-latex beauty blender is made from hydrophilic polyurethane material. Compared with the latex beauty blender, which causes allergy, is flaky and gives off foreign odor, polyurethane beauty blender has significantly lower probability of causing allergy and no special odor...[More](#)

Polyurethane Market

BDO Market after the September-to-October Peak Season

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PUdaily, Shanghai-- The traditional September-to-October peak season has come to an end. During the past two months, the market started with high expectation but ended with moderate performance. In early September, the reference price for BDO stood at RMB 10,900-11,100/ton. Currently, the price stands at RMB 10,300-10,600/ton, dropping by RMB 500-600/ton. According to PUdaily, to make a profit, the BDO price should not be lower than RMB 11,000/ton. Based on the current market situation featuring a mixture of good and bad news, the market is expected to remain stable in the future...[More](#)

The Biggest Pure MDI Exporter to Southeast Asia in H1

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PUdaily, Shanghai-- 1. China's pure MDI exports to southeast Asia in H1 Table 1 Comparison of China's pure MDI exports. Currently, there are 5 pure MDI manufacturers in China, including BASF, Covestro, Huntsman, Tosoh (Rui'an) and Wanhua Chemical. According to a rough estimate, currently China's pure MDI capacity stands at about 1.08 million tons/year. Covestro, Wanhua and Huntsman are the major manufacturers in China that export pure MDI to Southeast Asia. The sales volume of pure MDI in southeast Asia is experiencing rapid growth. In the first half of 2018, China exported nearly 14,000 tons of pure MDI to southeast Asia, rising by 35% year over year and accounting for 23% of China's total exports. In the first half, China's pure MDI exports totalled 60,000 tons, up 23% from the same period last year...[More](#)

Company Dynamic

Stahl Opens Center of Excellence for Performance Coatings in China

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Stahl opened a Center of Excellence for Performance Coatings in Suzhou, China. The environmental friendly center will focus on innovative performance coating solutions for a wide variety of materials. Customers, OEMs, brands and other partners came together for the opening event. The new facility in Suzhou is the company's ninth worldwide Center of Excellence. The new Center of Excellence has been equipped with solar panels providing part of the electricity that is consumed by the lab. A solar illumination and motion-detective lighting system were implemented to save electricity...[More](#)

PPG Debuts PPG Envirocron Extreme Protection powder Coating System for High-tensile

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PITTSBURGH, Nov. 14, 2018 – PPG (NYSE:PPG) today announced the introduction of PPG ENVIROCRON® Extreme Protection powder coating system, which is formulated to provide superior chip and corrosion resistance to extend the life of high-tensile automotive coil springs on original equipment manufacturer (OEM) vehicles. PPG will feature the dual-coat system at the North American International Auto Show (NAIAS) in Detroit in January. Based on a patent-pending technology using reclaimable materials...[More](#)

In Volatile Market, DowDuPont Jumbo Bond Lacks Chemistry

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NEW YORK, Nov 14 (IFR) - Chemicals company DowDuPont has launched a long-awaited US\$12.7bn bond to fund the spin-off of its material sciences and agriscience divisions, but market volatility forced the borrower to raise less and pay more than expected. The company, currently rated Baa1/A-/BBB, said in an investor presentation it was looking to raise US\$15.7bn from the bond sale. Investors are rattled and demanding more compensation for increasing risks. Orders books totaled US\$24.5bn and did not crack two times subscription, a symptom seen on some of Tuesday's IG offerings sold into a souring market, which also saw lackluster order books...[More](#)

Evonik Supplies Methacrylate Phosphate as Anti-corrosion Agent, Flame Retardant

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Evonik plans to market 2-hydroxyethyl methacrylate phosphate as an anti-corrosion agent and flame retardant under the brand name VISIOMER HEMA-P 70M. Typical product applications of this methacrylate monomer include adhesives and plastics, paints and coatings, fibers, composite resins, and gel coats. Customers mainly use VISIOMER HEMA-P 70M as an adhesion promoter, but the latest findings have also shown it to be an effective halogen-free, reactive flame retardant or anti-corrosion agent...[More](#)

Industry Glance

Vietnam's Footwear Exports up by 11%

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The Asian country continues to step up its footwear exports, while it absorbs some of the business moving away from China. Double digit growth registered in the first nine months of the current year. In the first nine months of the current year, Vietnam exported nearly 11.8 billion US dollars' worth of footwear, a 10.5% increase over similar period in 2017, according to data released by the Vietnam Customs Office. The upward trend is expected to continue, with Vietnam taking advantage of the increasing production costs in China and estimates by Lefaso...[More](#)

Polymer Products Manufacturing Up 10% in 20 Years

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TEHRAN (Shana) -- Iran's annual 12th Iran Plast September 24-27 in the capital Tehran. A total of 35 countries showcased their products. Visitors came from 20 nations to hold talks with Iranian companies. Such number of visitors against the backdrop of US sanctions indicates the significance of Iran's polymer and plastic industry at the regional and global levels. Due to the high quality of Iranian-made products and low cost prices, Iran remains highly attractive

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in this sector. To that effect, Iran's Ministry of Petroleum has been developing related projects in a bid to win a bigger share of global polymer and plastic markets...[More](#)

Ineos to Buy Ashland's Composites Business, Germany BDO Unit for \$1.1 billion 2018-11-16

Ineos has agreed to acquire Ashland's worldwide composites business and Ashland's production site at Marl, Germany, including a butanediol (BDO) plant, for about \$1.1 billion. The deal is expected to be completed in the first half of 2019, subject to regulatory approvals, standard closing conditions, and employee consultation. Ineos is buying assets from Ashland with combined sales of more than \$1.1 billion/year and 20 sites across all major regions. Ashland says that its composites business is a world leader in unsaturated polyester resins...[More](#)

Polyurethane Foam Association Names New Executive Director At Fall Meeting; Addresses Key 2018-11-21

The Polyurethane Foam Association (PFA) recently concluded its fall member meeting, which offered a forum for companies in the flexible polyurethane foam industry to discuss key issues and review new technical developments. PFA's two-day meeting in early November brought together more than 120 executives from foam manufacturers, chemical suppliers, and other companies supporting the industry for in-depth discussion of issues including flammability, the environment, and industry regulation...[More](#)

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