

### **LANXESS: Increased prices for chloroprene rubber**

**Leverkusen** – The Technical Rubber Products (TRP) business unit of specialty chemicals group LANXESS AG will increase its prices for CR (chloroprene rubber) globally effective April 1, 2010. Dependent on regions, the price adjustment per metric ton comprises up to EUR 300/USD 400 for CR. This adjustment is unavoidable because the costs for raw materials have risen significantly.

CR, which LANXESS offers under the name Baypren, is appropriate to produce e.g. cable sheathing, hoses, belts and air springs.

LANXESS is a leading specialty chemicals company with sales of EUR 5.06 billion in 2009 and currently around 14,300 employees in 23 countries. The company is represented at 43 production sites worldwide. The core business of LANXESS is the development, manufacturing and marketing of plastics, rubber, intermediates and specialty chemicals.

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