

Sustainable mobility – how to bring it on the road?

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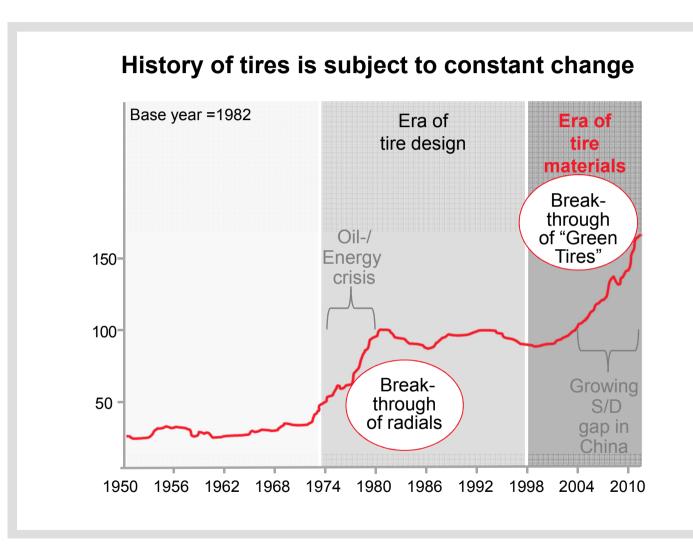
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Tire costs as well as consumer expectations for "added value" are constantly increasing



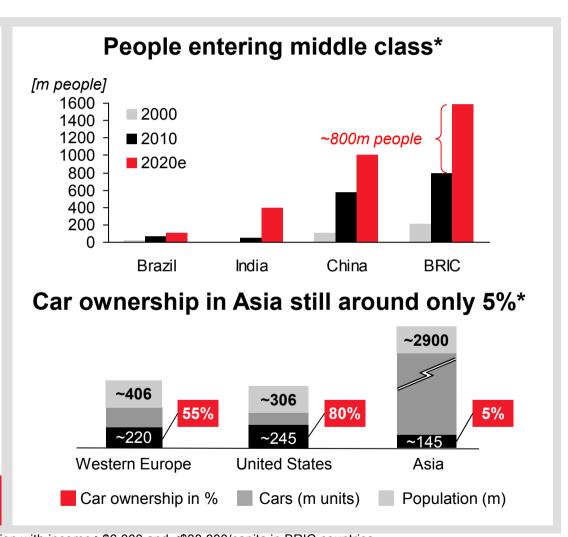
- Global market conditions have been changing over time
- Shift of focus from tire design to materials
- Raw materials become scarcer resulting in higher material costs
- Tires are expected to contribute to global CO₂emission reduction goals

Rubber production must adapt to changes



Megatrend: mobility

- Rising worldwide prosperity, particularly in China and India
- Enables an increasing number of new middleclass families to achieve personal mobility
- Millions of trade-ups to be realized soon
 - Bicycles for motorcycles
 - Motorcycles for cars
- Leading to increased car ownership, especially in Asia



Future mobility demand results in significant consumption of tires and rubber

Source: Goldman Sachs Global Economics Group, 2010; Michelin estimates;

* Population with income >\$6,000 and <\$30,000/capita in BRIC countries



Globalization and scarce resources point at ever increasing complexity

Global drivers of rapid equalization Fast proliferation of tire labeling / spillover effect Global market orientation of **OEMs** Increasing information flow globally Material focus to balance labor cost difference globally **Examples** China **Americas** Adoption of performance Safe oil tires in new 5-Year Plan adoption Retreading rate of 25% by 2015

Declining resources

- Need for CO₂ reduction: environmental requirements becoming increasingly strict
- Finite oil and petrochemical supply
- Sustainable use of renewable resources
- Important accelerator: increasing demand for mobility due to fast growing (middle-class) population



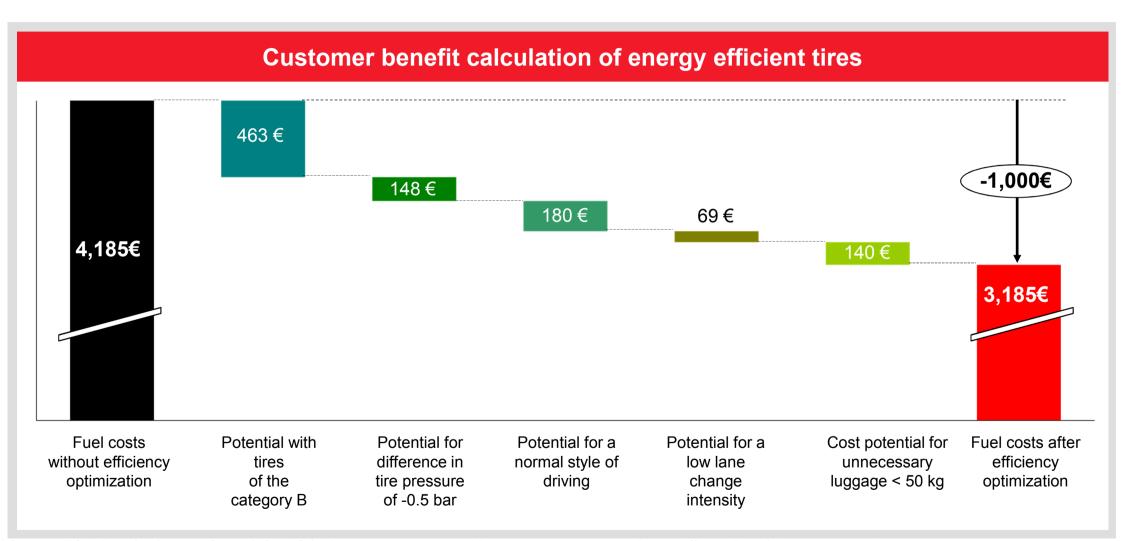
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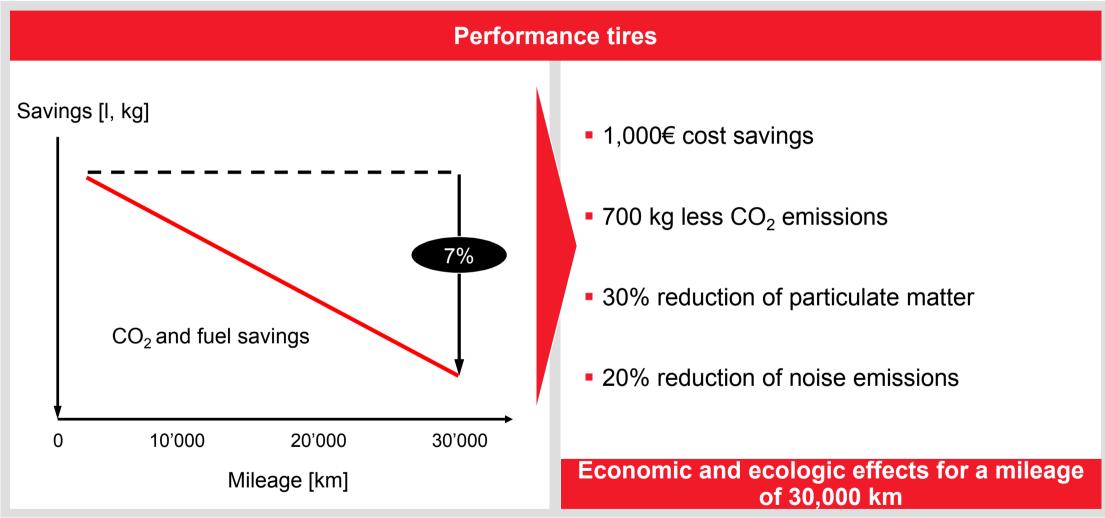
Case Study: the correct choice of tires offers the consumer the largest cost advantage with savings of 1,000 Euros per 30,000 km

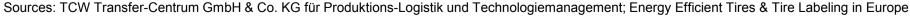


Sources: TCW Transfer-Centrum GmbH & Co. KG für Produktions-Logistik und Technologiemanagement; Energy Efficient Tires & Tire Labeling in Europe



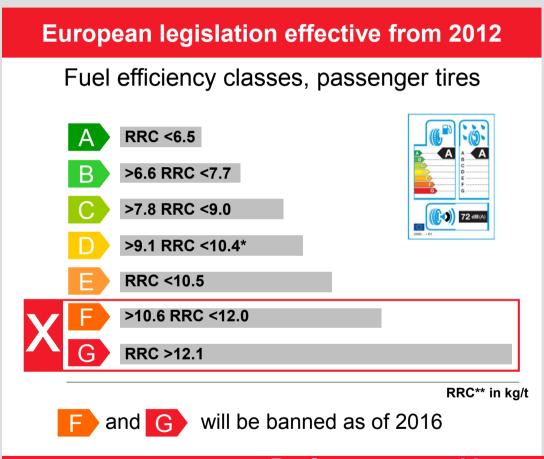
Case Study: performance tires reduce fuel consumption as well as CO₂, particulate matter and noise emissions





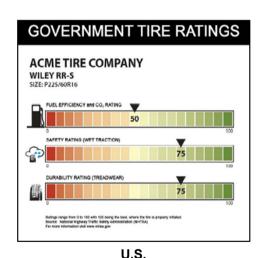


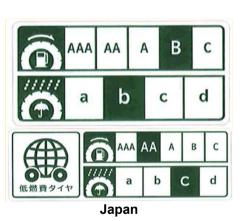
The introduction of tire labeling will empower consumers to choose and evaluate their tires for the first time at point of sale...



Regulations in preparation in US and Japan

Tire labelings in several countries other than EU





Performance and innovation will become visible! Forcing tire manufacturers to create more value with less resources

Source: EU parliament; * LANXESS estimates; ** Rolling resistance coefficient

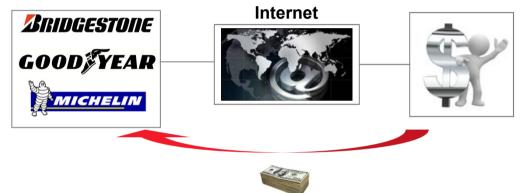


...putting the purchasing power in their hands

Example: tire labeling as a game changer for the consumer



- Traditionally, the average consumer is unable to distinguish the difference in a variety of tires available on the market
- They have relied on the expertise of tire dealers for guidance in their purchases



- With tire labeling and availability of information on the internet will allow consumers to compare and evaluate tires for themselves
- This will allow the proliferation of internet-based sales/service platforms from tire manufacturers

Purchasing power in the hands of the consumer!



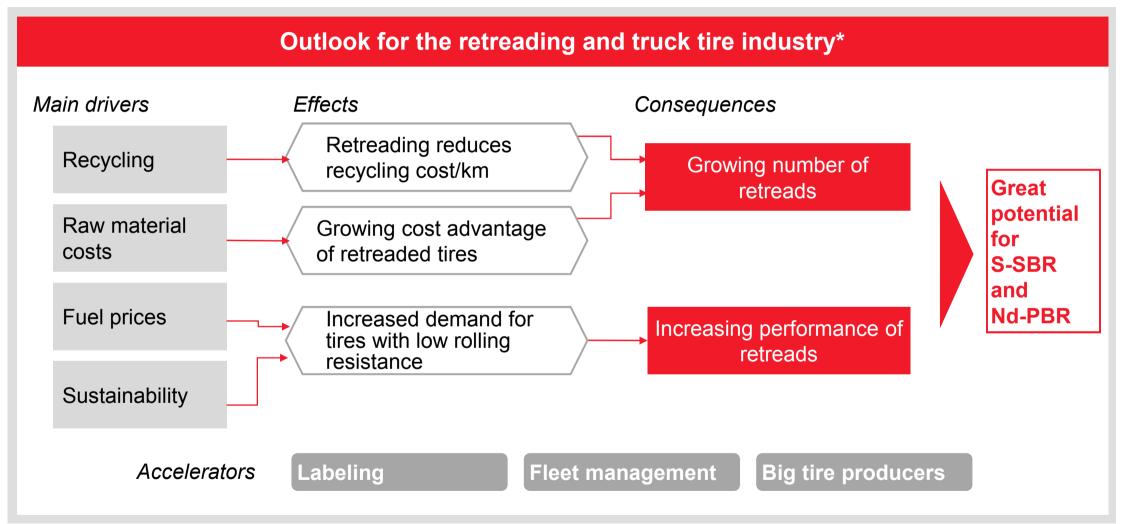
Globally, pressure on tire producers to improve the performance of their products is increasing

High performance tires will soon become global standard AA-tire race" already started... Non-performance tires Performance tires ** Low rolling resistance = fuel efficiency / CO₂-reduction 100 RRc** Tire Index 70 S-SBR + GP S-SBR + GP S-SBR + Nd-E-SBR + GP S-SBR fct. + BR + Carbon BR + Carbon BR + Silica PBR + Silica Black Black Silica

- Tire labeling initiatives push the demand for fuel-efficient tires
- Tighter specifications and more critical approval procedures are expected
- Performance requirements equalize, leading to
 - Proliferation of performance rubbers globally
 - Transfer from the tire (tread, sidewall) to other applications (e.g. retread, TBR*)
- First AA (concept) tires already in development



Retread industry is growing due to global drivers such as the new policy on retreading in China*



Source: S-SBR Global Market Study, project team * China's Ministry of Industry has set new rules that aim to reach 25 percent retreading by 2015



LANXESS supports tire initiatives by focusing on global technological progress for "greener" tires"

Focusing on total technological progress based on Nd-PBR and S-SBR Performance boost through projects targeting the (ultra) high performance segment ("differentiation") Performance proliferation through projects targeting high-Performance volume tire applications globally already possible today due to LANXESS' technology and application knowledge



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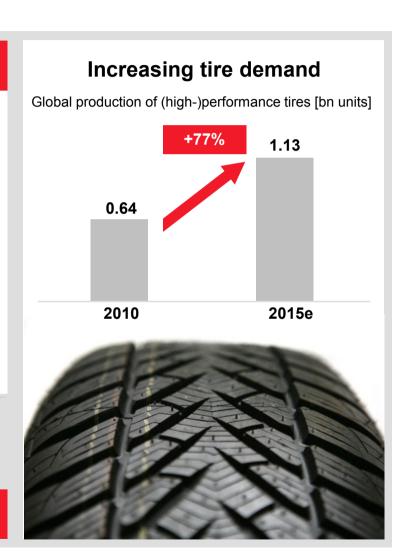




Increasing demand for high-performance tires

Demand for high-performance tires is growing

- By 2015, the high-performance tire segment will have increased by 77%
- Rolling-resistance-optimized tires are expected to replace regular tires and become the standard in Europe
- The implementation of new EU regulations will challenge the global rubber, tire and automotive industries to adapt their products and processes to the CO₂ emission requirements

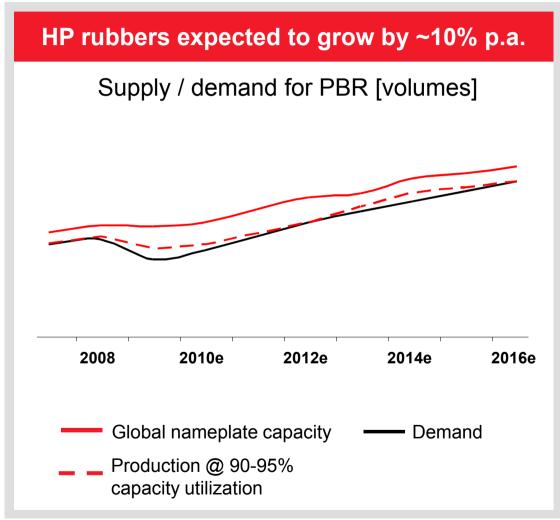


LANXESS offers the right products for high-performance "Green Tires"

Source: BHF-Bank estimates



Supply / demand expected to tighten mid-term based on need to improve tire performance, especially for HP rubbers like Nd-PBR



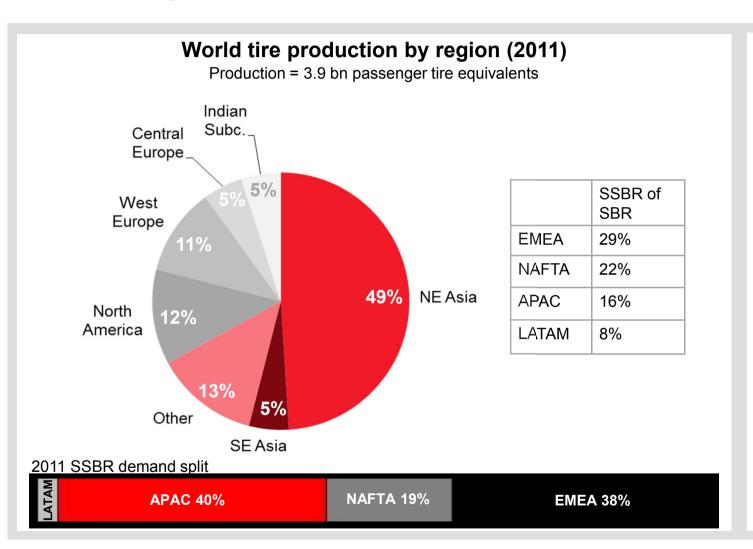
- Tire labeling makes innovation in rubber grades visible to customer
- Emerging markets shift towards performance applications
- Market for all polybutadiene rubbers in tight supply
- Smart debottlenecking of ~50kt of Nd-PBR fastest process to serve demand from Asia
- Almost all new BR investments have been in Nd-PBR

Source: LANXESS estimates based on CMAI, SRI, LMC

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Long term usage of SSBR likely around 30% of total SBR, mainly depending on SSBR capacities and performance proliferation



- Chinese Tire market is export driven
- Proliferation of performance in China is still on low level
- China will need large volumes of Nd-PBR and SSBR in order to compete on performance
- Brazil to accelerate introduction of tire labeling as Chinese imports of low cost tires present a huge problem
- EMEA / NAFTA show already over proportional SSBR usage with further room in NAFTA



LANXESS premium products for high-performance "Green Tires" – Neodymium polybutadiene rubber (Nd-PBR)

Characteristics

- Highest stereoregularity, narrowest molecular weight distribution and least branching within group of high cis-BRs → manufacture of tires with outstanding physical data
- Very linear and unique macrostructure → lower heat buildup and higher flexibility than other tire elastomers
- Strain-induced crystallization → greater resistance

Benefits

- Optimized rolling resistance → increased fuel efficiency and reduction of CO₂ emissions
- Excellent resistance to abrasion, flex cracking and fatigue
 improved safety and durability

Main brands

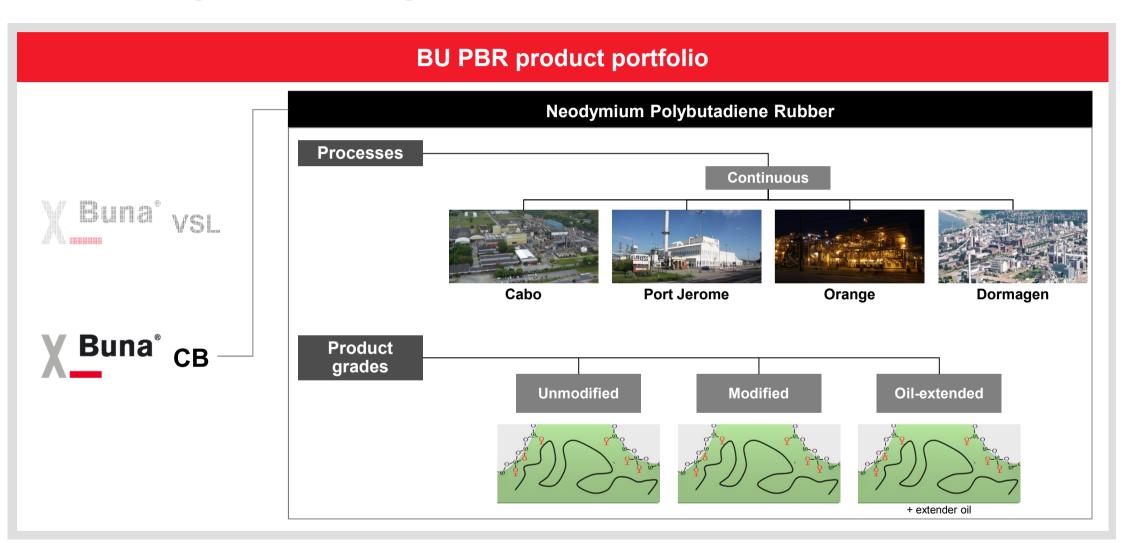








LANXESS currently has 4 sites that produce Nd-PBR with a variety of product grades for high performance "Green Tires"





LANXESS premium products for high-performance "Green Tires" – Solution-styrene-polybutadiene rubber (S-SBR)

Characteristics

- High density of anchor points that connect particularly well to the hard filler particles
 ⇒ excellent bonding to silica
- Covering of the silica particles with a frictionreducing rubber skin → reduction of the internal friction of the reinforcing silica particles

Benefits

- Optimized rolling resistance → increase in fuel efficiency and reduction of CO₂ emissions
- Outstanding road grip → enhanced safety
- Very long service life → improved mileage

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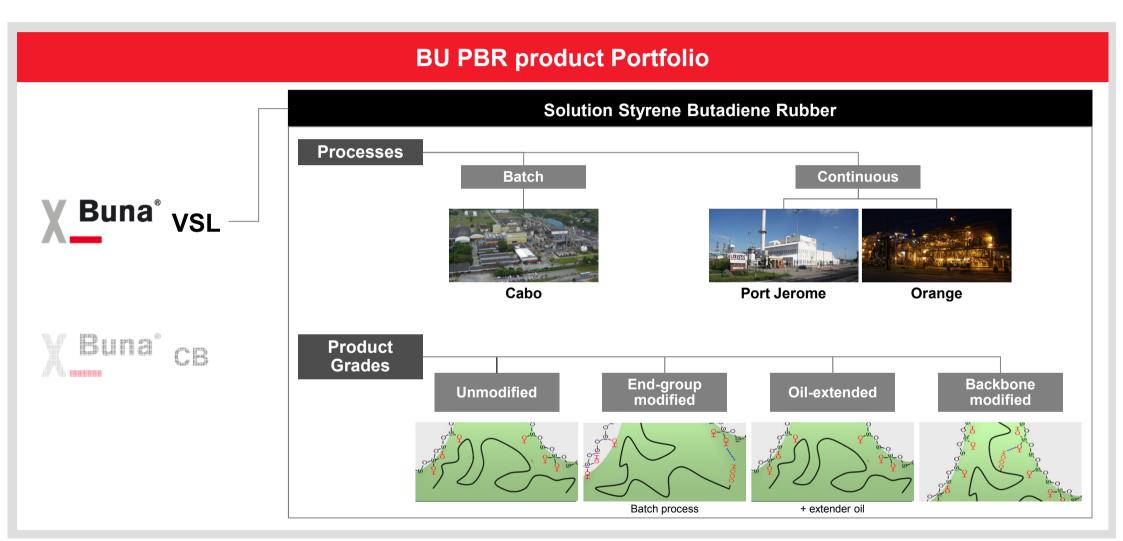








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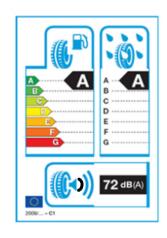


LANXESS has created one of the world's first AA-rated tires under the new EU labeling regulations

- In order to commercialize AA-tires, durability of tires has to be optimized
- Yet, an improvement in durability usually comes at the expense of either rolling resistance or wet grip
- Using Nd-PBR, durability can be increased while still maintaining excellent properties
- The AA concept tire demonstrates the importance of Nd-PBR to increase durability
- It enables LANXESS to offers materials that have already been tested, enabling customers to shorten time-to-market

LANXESS – pushing the boundaries to enable "Green Tires"









The LANXESS Fuel-Saving App helps choosing the right tires

Fuel-Saving App: already a great success



11.600 app downloads
11.800 clicks on web-version

Time: June 2012 - End of September 2012





- The Fuel-Saving App helps to save fuel and money
- Developed by TU Munich, certified by TÜV Rheinland
- Main features
 - Fuel Saving Calculator
 - Information on EU tire label
- Additional features
 - Service Reminder
 - Parking time alarm
 - Information on "Green Tires"
- Available in German, English, French, Czech, Polish, Dutch, Slovenian



Rubber market in transition towards higher performance – LANXESS prepared to grow disproportionately

Market increasingly relies on performance rubbers to solve tomorrow's requirements



Market for all polybutadiene and solution styrene butadiene rubbers in tight supply



LANXESS SSBR and Nd-PBR go hand in hand to achieve maximum performance



Continue to strengthen LANXESS leading position in merchant rubber market







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