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Toyota Motor Corporation and Akzo Nobel waterborne system

Sassenheim, the Netherlands, 22 May 2007 – After extensive testing, Akzo Nobel has received confirmation from Toyota Motor Corporation Japan of the waterborne repair products meeting their specification.

With the ever increasing demands of customers for environmentally acceptable vehicles and vehicle refinishing solutions, Akzo Nobel has been working with Toyota Motor Corporation in the testing of its waterborne repair products. Sikkens Autowave basecoat and the unique waterborne Sikkens Autoclear WB have been subjected to extensive testing according to the Toyota repair standard. Akzo Nobel is pleased to have received confirmation from Toyota Motor Corporation Japan of the products meeting their specification.

With the rapid spread of environmental regulations across North America, and the industry agreements on VOC reduction in Japan and Korea, it is very timely to receive the information on the technical testing of these key products. According to Hiroshi Miyagawa, General Manager Akzo Nobel Car Refinishes Japan, "with the change to waterborne in the Japanese market and other parts of the globe, Akzo Nobel is very pleased to have met the technical specifications of Toyota Motor Corporation".

"Although we have over 7000 satisfied customers in Europe using Sikkens Autowave basecoat, the additional reference from Toyota is excellent for our roll out across the US and Canada," commented Akzo Nobel Car Refinishes North American Commercial Services Manager, Tim Loden.

"With the increasing importance of the environment for the Chinese government, as the Olympics approach, Toyota and Lexus are actively considering waterborne technology" according to David Townsend, Akzo Nobel Car Refinishes Marketing Manager China "and this news will greatly help us in developing our business".

Note to editors

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