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**EXXONMOBIL CHEMICAL ADDS NEW FEATURES TO
WWW.MATERIALEXPERIENCE.COM –
THE SANTOPRENE™ TPV WEBSITE FOR DESIGNERS**

HOUSTON (May 21, 2008) – ExxonMobil Chemical has added several new ‘cards’ to its website – www.materialexperience.com – which helps designers explore Santoprene™ thermoplastic vulcanizates (TPVs). The new cards cover topics such as a material overview, physical properties, material processing, typical applications, frequently asked questions and links to other design-oriented sites.

The concept for the site is a series of cards grouped under the four pillars of Inspiration, Exploration, Close-Up and Making It, which are based on designers’ practice of collecting a variety of points of inspiration and reference. Designers are invited to be inspired, to explore new possibilities, and consult case studies that showcase innovative product designs using Santoprene TPVs.

The cards can be collected and viewed together in ‘My Sketchbook,’ a unique feature that enables designers to build their own database as an ongoing reference and share designs with colleagues and clients. This feature also allows designers to match the physical properties of Santoprene TPVs, such as outstanding sealability, fluid resistance, or FDA compliance, with essential product design specifications.

“Since the site was launched at the ‘Connecting ’07 World Design Congress’ in October, we have been delighted with the number of designers that have registered,” said Gertrud Masure, market development manager, ExxonMobil Chemical. “The enhancement of the site is part of our undertaking to ensure that the connection between designers and Santoprene TPVs is up-to-date and relevant, so that it helps them in their quest to develop innovative, new designs.”

The aim of the site is to strengthen ExxonMobil Chemical's links with designers and provide them with support and advice to enable a product to move from 'art to part'. The site provides clear, time-saving information about using Santoprene TPVs for innovative design. ExxonMobil is helping designers better understand the unique benefits of these specialty elastomers and providing support in bringing inspirational designs to completion.

From a design perspective, Santoprene TPVs are about soft touch, smooth grips and bonding to hard materials. Tactility is crucial for the designer to really grasp the design opportunities. As nothing beats the real feel of the material, a set of samples can be ordered online.

To appreciate the countless possibilities of designing with ExxonMobil Chemical's specialty elastomer brands, visit: www.materialexperience.com.

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About ExxonMobil Chemical's specialty elastomers

ExxonMobil Chemical offers customers one of the industry's broadest portfolios of specialty elastomer products. This includes Santoprene™ brand TPVs, Vistamaxx™ specialty elastomers, Vistalon™ EPDM (conventional and metallocene catalyst), Exxelor™ modifiers and Exact™ plastomers. These products provide innovative elastomeric solutions combined with global support in material selection, design, processing, and supply chain management.

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