

## Press Release

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### **RHODIA TO CEASE OPERATION OF ITS POLYAMIDE PRODUCTION LINE IN MISSISSAUGA, CANADA**

**Paris (France) – May 5, 2009** – Rhodia announced today the ceasing operation of its polyamide-based engineering plastics production line in Mississauga (Ontario, Canada). The manufacturing of nylon 6 and nylon 6.6 Technyl® brand portfolio will be transferred to Alloy Polymers, within a tolling agreement. Rhodia's Mississauga site will continue production of surfactants and polymers sold by Novecare Enterprise.

*Rhodia is an international chemical company resolutely committed to sustainable development. As a leader in its businesses, the Group aims to improve its customers' performance through the pursuit of operational excellence and its ability to innovate. Structured around six Enterprises, Rhodia is the partner of major players in the automotive, refining, electronics, flavors and fragrances, health, personal and home care markets, consumer goods and industrial markets. The Group employs around 14,500 people worldwide and generated sales of €4.8 billion in 2008. Rhodia is listed on Euronext Paris.*

For more information, please visit our website: [www.rhodia.com](http://www.rhodia.com)

*Alloy Polymers is a leading U.S. independent plastics compounder headquartered in Richmond, Va. The company, which does not market any of its own proprietary products, has four facilities in Texas, Ohio and Virginia with total capacity in excess of 600 million pounds. Its services support a wide variety of customers in the plastics industry. Its application expertise spans a broad spectrum of applications including fiber grade, food grade, TPO compounds for automotive, medical device compounds and carbon black, nigrosine and electrical compounds.*

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