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ELANTAS Announces Price Increase in Europe

Wesel, July 20, 2007 – ELANTAS, the Division Electrical Insulation of ALTANA AG, is announcing price increases for its wire enamel product line in Europe of 2 to 5% starting September 1, 2007 or as contracts allow. The price increase is to offset increases in raw material costs. This price adjustment will allow ELANTAS and its affiliates to continue to offer the high performance of products and services that the customers expect.

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ALTANA offers innovative, environmentally compatible solutions with the matching specialty products for coating manufactures, paint and plastic processors, the printing and cosmetic industries, and the electrical and electronic industry. The product range includes additives, special coatings and adhesives, effect pigments, sealants and compounds, impregnating resins & varnishes, and testing and measuring instruments.

At present the ALTANA Group has 31 production facilities and 45 service and research laboratories worldwide. Throughout the group 4500 people work to ensure the success of ALTANA worldwide. In 2006 ALTANA Chemie achieved sales aof about 1.3 billion euros. Ist impressive earning power and high growth rate make ALTANA one of the most successful and innovative chemical groups worldwide.

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