

Press Release

ELANTAS Deatech is raising its prices

Wesel/Ascoli Piceno, June 21, 2010. As of August 1, 2010 ELANTAS Deatech, a member of the ELANTAS Electrical Insulation group, will be raising its prices for all wire enamels, lubricants, and solvents by 6 or 8% as follows:

- + 6% for polyesters, polyester-imides, polyurethanes, thinners, lubricants
- + 8% for polyamide-imides and selfbonding wire enamels.

For months, ELANTAS Electrical Insulation has been facing significant increases in both operational and raw material costs. In particular, our business activity has come under tremendous pressure from the following factors:

- Shortages in raw material supplies and, as a consequence, soaring prices
- Escalation in the price of crude oil, directly and indirectly affecting many of the raw materials, and the unfavourable changes to the exchange rate (esp. Euro/US\$)
- Soaring energy prices due to the above facts

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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.

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