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Welcome to e-FILTER, sponsored by INDA, Association of the Nonwoven Fabrics Industry. It is sent every other month to executives within the global filtration business and focuses on the latest news, new products, patents, legislative issues and commentary in the filtration industry. Check out the information at the end of this newsletter on how to subscribe or submit your company's information for inclusion.

INDA NEWS: Filtration 2011 Headed To Navy Pier in Chicago



Celebrating its 20th anniversary as the most important three days each year for the global filtration business, the Filtration 2011 International Conference and Exposition will feature more than 125 exhibitors from all links in the filter supply chain at Navy Pier in Chicago, Ill., from November 15-17, 2011.

Exhibitors will be showcasing the latest products, technologies and end products for filtration, while an extensive three-day Conference Program will cover diverse aspects of filtration technology, new products and research. INDA, the organizer of the annual trade show, expects the three-day event to attract close to 1500 attendees from 30 countries to network, attend the Conference and walk the aisles of the Navy Pier exhibition hall.

"As it returns to Chicago after a successful show in Philadelphia last year, Filtration 2011 will certainly live up to its reputation as the most important and largest gathering of the global filtration business this year," says INDA

President Rory Holmes.

Holmes points to the vital role filter products plays in everyday personal and business lives as a reason for the success of the event year after year, and especially in this challenging economic climate.

"Issues such as interior air quality, control of airborne diseases and illnesses, and greater efficiencies for industrial applications are topics that remain vital to individuals and businesses and Filtration 2011 will address all of these issues, and many more," Holmes says. "The business of filtration is at the forefront of these challenges and they will certainly be topics of discussion at Filtration 2011."

In addition to the Exposition, the Filtration 2011 Conference will provide insight into the latest technical developments in filtration from some of the industry's leading companies and research institutions.

One of the highlights of the Filtration 2011 Conference will be a session called "Twenty Years of Progress Looking into the Future." Executives from four leading filtration companies – Ahlstrom,

AAF, Flanders and Hollingsworth & Vose – will share a brief historical perspective of progress and market developments, their current view of the filtration marketplace, and a focused look to future trends and dynamics in the business.

Also as part of the Filtration 2011 Conference, the always well-attended Filtration 101 & Filtration 201 sessions will cover the basics of both Air and Liquid Filtration, along with discussions of common applications in both fields.

"The Filtration 2011 Conference is the best place in the world this year for filtration executives to learn about the technical developments that will continue to drive this business in the 21st Century," says INDA Technical Director Steve Ogle. "The Filtration 2011 Committee has put together an excellent program for attendees that will put the focus on the business of filtration and what it will take to succeed in the future."

For more information on the Filtration 2011 International Conference and Exposition: www.inda.org.

'INDA on the Issues' Provides Insight on Government Affairs

As part of its ongoing commitment to keep its members current on government and legislative issues that impact their filtration and other businesses, INDA has unveiled an informative and timely section in the Government Affairs section of its inda.org website.

The new Members Only section – called "INDA on the Issues" – focuses on the critical legislation and regulations impacting the domestic and global operations of INDA member companies. With regular updates and expert analysis provided by the INDA staff and the association's Washington, D.C. offices, "INDA on the Issues" is an expansion of INDA's Government Affairs services to its members.

"Government Affairs is one of INDA's pillars of service to keep members up

to date and informed about the critical legislation that affect their businesses," says INDA President Rory Holmes. "What happens in Washington, D.C. has a significant impact on the success of our member companies and we are constantly striving to provide timely information and insight on issues that matter to them."

In addition to providing news and updates on policies vital to INDA members, the "INDA on the Issues" section provides valuable links to legislative and regulatory resources as well. It also details INDA's positions on current affairs and the association's actions to date on these issues.

Currently on the site are reviews and explanations on Environmental, Human Resources, Taxes,

International Trade, Health Care/Medical and Product Safety Policies. These policies and their impact are constantly updated by the INDA Washington, D.C. offices.

INDA members can access the "INDA on the Issues" section through the Government Affairs section of the INDA website at <http://imisw.inda.org/wcm/>. After logging in, select "Member Services", "Government Affairs", "INDA on the Issues".

Bill Introduced to Extend Time for EPA Boiler MACT Rules

[From INDA Washington Alert Newsletter] Sen. Susan M. Collins (R-ME) and several other senators earlier this summer introduced legislation that would give the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) an additional 15 months to finalize rules setting air pollution standards for boilers and incinerators. The bill, the EPA Regulatory Relief Act (S. 1392), would also give industry at least five years, instead of three years, to comply with the maximum achievable control technology (MACT) regulations.

In January, the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia rejected the EPA's request for an additional 15 months to rework standards that EPA thought were unachievable, thereby

requiring the EPA to hurriedly issue final rules in February. Given the EPA's desire for additional time and bipartisan sponsorship in the Senate, the bill seems likely to pass.

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FILTRATION INDUSTRY NEWS: Delstar Unveils Plans to Expand In California

Delstar Technologies is expanding its operations in California and has leased a 25,000-square-foot warehouse on 1.4 acres in Santee, CA (San Diego County). Delstar specializes in the construction of plastics and metal components used in filtration, automotive, healthcare, industrial, food, electronics and textiles.



ITW Dynatec Europe Acquires Inatec

[From Nonwovens Industry] ITW Dynatec Europe has acquired Inatec GmbH, a maker of hot melt adhesive application systems located in Langenfeld, Germany. Both companies will continue to operate independently. The terms of the deal were not disclosed.

"The purchase of Inatec GmbH further strengthens ITW Dynatec's position as a premier adhesive applications provider to the coating & laminating markets worldwide. Inatec GmbH has several unique adhesive application technologies that greatly complement our industry-leading non-contact products such as Uniform Fiber Deposition (UFD) and DeltaFx. Furthermore, Inatec's expertise in the reactive adhesives (PUR) markets will allow ITW Dynatec to further position

itself as a leading adhesive application solutions provider to global markets including technical textiles, automotive and filtration," says Christof Schotten, vice president and general manager, World Wide ITW Dynatec. "Inatec GmbH is an ideal fit to our growing adhesive application business and we look forward to working with the innovative and experienced people of Inatec."

Cummins Filtration Website Now in Russian Cummins Filtration has added an eighth language, Russian, to its website, cumminsfiltration.com. The addition of local languages and other user-friendly enhancements are part of the ongoing web enhancements to extend Cummins' Filtration reach to its global and diverse customer base.

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New Website Gives Hospitals Helping Hand on Sustainability

A new website – The Sustainability Roadmap for Hospitals (<http://www.sustainabilityroadmap.org>) – has been created to give hospitals and other healthcare organizations information on how sustainability is changing and benefiting the industry, and how they can benefit, too.

A collaborative effort of the American Society for Healthcare Engineering, the Association for the Healthcare Environment, and the American Society for Healthcare Resource and Materials Management, the site gives an overview of sustainability, explains what is driving it within the healthcare industry, provides strategies for starting -- and succeeding at --

sustainability initiatives, discusses various projects and how they have been implemented, and steers users to helpful external resources.

The new site is designed to help hospitals and other healthcare facilities explore and consider the various steps that make sustainability possible, such as using products and technologies that provide better results while requiring fewer resources. Already, hospitals that have embraced sustainability are seeing results. For example, facilities using products designed from the ground up for sustainability save energy costs without sacrificing performance.

Hospitals that have taken a close look at their air filtration systems have discovered how simple it is to achieve significant savings while maintaining -- and often improving -- patient care. Healthcare facilities using Camfil Farr hospital air filtration systems have seen their HVAC energy costs drop by 15 to 30 percent. Their increased media area and unique product configuration ensures a low resistance to airflow resulting in significant energy savings. Camfil Farr air filters also feature an innovative fine fiber media construction that allows the filters to maintain efficiency throughout their entire service life -- in contrast to traditional air filters that degrade over time.

Amiad Installs Arkal SpinKlin Disc Filtration Technology

Amiad Filtration Systems, a global provider of water filtration technologies, has installed its Galaxy 6-inch SpinKlin Disc Filters at the Aquapolo tertiary wastewater treatment plant in Sao Paulo Brazil. Built by Foz do Brasil and Sebesp, Brazil's largest water company, the plant is the first-of-its-kind in the Southern Hemisphere and the fifth largest in the world dedicated to the production of reuse water for

industrial purposes that uses treated sewage as raw material.

The SpinKlin Disc Filtration technology was developed by Arkal Filtration Systems, a company acquired by Amiad in 2010. The filters will be used to protect the plant's ultrafiltration membranes. The project was sold through Amiad's Brazil distributor, Aquasys.

"SpinKlin filters for pre-treatment are a key component of the filtration process and offer a number of distinct advantages," said Giancarlo Ronconi, from Foz do Brasil. "The discs are made of solid and reliable materials, the filters require little maintenance, and the technology has been proven in installations around the world."

The water first passes through the SpinKlin Disc Filters, which have a flow rate of 2,400 cubic meters per

hour and are designed to retain solids with a diameter larger than 400 microns. It then goes through a biological treatment and 63 ultrafiltration membrane modules in order to reach the required standard.

Kitten Found in Car Air Filter

Finally this month comes news that the technicians at Springfield (MA) Auto Mart found a little kitten curled up in an air filter. The car owner had never seen the kitten before and

suspected it got in there on a recent trip to Connecticut.

"I've found mice in there. That's pretty common. But finding a little kitten? That's nothing I ever expected to find," technician Jim Perry told a local news station.

One of the employees gave the kitten to his daughter for her birthday.



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