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Lubrizol Advanced Materials adds TPU line

AVON LAKE, OHIO (Jan. 30, 1:50 p.m. EST) -- Lubrizol Advanced Materials Inc. has installed a new thermoplastic polyurethane production line in Avon Lake that should boost the site's production 30 percent.

Plastic Ingenuity investing in solar panels

CROSS PLAINS, WIS. (Jan. 30, 12:05 p.m. EST) -- An \$80,000 investment in renewable energy will help benefit Earth's atmosphere and Plastic Ingenuity Inc.'s bottom line, company officials said. They expect a rooftop system of 50 200-watt crystalline silicone photovoltaic solar panels, finished in September, to pay for itself in five years.

Nomacorc carving out business in China

ZEBULON, N.C. (Jan. 30, 11:25 a.m. EST) -- U.S. plastic wine-cork maker Nomacorc LLC has opened a small factory in China, in what it said is the first move by the synthetic wine cork industry into that country's growing domestic wine market.

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BROWN Machine

Hybrid vehicles get boost from plastics



MKT concept

DETROIT (Jan. 30, 11:05 a.m. EST) -- "Green" cars generated quite a buzz at the recent North American International Auto Show in Detroit. There was talk about plug-in hybrid vehicles, all-electric sports cars, on-board generators and hydrogen fuel cells. But beyond the hype is a simple fact: The road to the green car future is paved with plastics.

CCL acquires silk-screen printing equipment

LOS ANGELES (Jan. 30, 9:55 a.m. EST) -- CCL Tube Inc. recently invested more than \$7 million in new German-made silk-screen tube printing machines. The tube maker supplies the personal-care, cosmetics and over-the-counter drug markets.

Conair Husky team up on preforms

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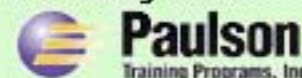
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By Dan Hockensmith

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LOS ANGELES (Jan. 30, 9:55 a.m. EST) – **CCL** Tube Inc. recently invested more than \$7 million in new German-made silk-screen tube printing machines.

The **tube** maker announced Jan. 23 it has outfitted its plants in Los Angeles and Wilkes-Barre, Pa., with the machines.

"Our plants can silk screen up to 200,000 tubes per day and are capable of supplying larger volumes," Los Angeles general manager Andy Iseli said in a news release. "Adding new automated machines greatly increases our production speed."

CCL Tube supplies the personal-care, cosmetics and over-the-counter drug markets.

Company officials said the new machines decrease print time by providing one-pass, 1-to-6 color printing on most standard tubes. In addition, the use of flexible inks eliminates cracking or flaking, even with heavily saturated artwork, according to the Los Angeles-based firm.

Silk-screen decorating can be combined with other decorating technologies, including 1-to-8 color offset, hot stamping, and pressure-sensitive labeling.

CCL announced Jan. 9 it will relocate its Los Angeles operations this summer from a 150,000-square-foot facility to a new, 101,340-square-foot building in nearby Carson.

CCL Tube is a unit of **CCL** Industries Inc. of Toronto.

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