

Riopol Produces LLDPE Metallocene Resins Licensed by Univation Technologies

Brazilian Company launches METAPOL[®], a resin manufactured using XCAT[™] EZ-100 metallocene catalyst technology in the UNIPOL[™] PE process licensed by Univation to Riopol.

Houston, TX (May 7, 2007) – Univation Technologies, LLC confirmed today that Rio Polímeros (Riopol) of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil has launched METAPOL[®] an innovative resin produced with the latest generation XCAT EZP metallocene catalyst technology. This new resin incorporates the advances of EZP technology using the UNIPOL PE process from Univation Technologies, LLC.

“The commercialization of METAPOL[®] shows Riopol’s commitment to come up with better alternatives and innovative solutions that will add more value to the customer’s product, and aggregate competitive advantages”, says the company’s new Commercial Director Marco Antonio Quirino.

EZP LLDPE metallocene resins process well on both extrusion lines designed for LLDPE and HP-LDPE, while providing overall properties superior to HP-LDPE. For automatic packaging, the advantages of METAPOL[®] can be seen in the way it looks □ the product’s main features are clarity, gloss, and transparency. In addition, the product is easier to seal, which makes for an increase in productivity during automatic packing. EZP metallocene resins also provide TD shrink, a characteristic previously unavailable in linear polyethylene.

"EZP is yet another example of Univation continuing to develop innovative, new technology to meet market and customer needs," commented Kenneth Glover, Univation President.

Initial tests have already been conducted with customers and the new product has met with very good acceptance.

Further information about Rio Polímeros S.A. can be found at www.riopol.com.br

Univation Technologies, LLC is the world leader in licensing gas phase polyethylene technology. Univation has comprehensive technology programs focused on the UNIPOL[™] PE gas-phase process, conventional catalysts (UCAT[™]), metallocene catalysts (XCAT[™]) and Bimodal HDPE catalysts (PRODIGY[™]). UNIVATION, XCAT, PRODIGY, and the stylized "U" are registered trademarks (Reg. U.S. Pat. and Tm. Off.) of Univation Technologies. UNIPOL and UCAT are registered trademarks (Reg. U.S. Pat. and Tm. Off.) of The Dow Chemical Company or an affiliated company of Dow. UNIPOL and UCAT are licensed for use to Univation Technologies.

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