



RPM's Carboline Acquires AD Fire Protection Systems

MEDINA, Ohio - June 6, 2005 - RPM International Inc. (NYSE: RPM) announced today that its wholly owned subsidiary, Carboline Company ("Carboline"), has acquired AD Fire Protection Systems ("AD Fire"), an international provider of fireproofing products for the protection of structural steel. AD Fire has annual sales of approximately CDN \$18 million.

AD Fire, based in Toronto, Canada, with manufacturing and sales offices strategically located throughout North America, is a leader in specialty architectural fireproofing materials. The products range from water-based intumescent fireproofing for exposed architectural steel, light and heavy weight cementitious fireproofing for concealed structural steel and fire-stopping materials for wall and floor penetrations. AD Fire's FIREFILM II intumescent coating is a leading fireproofing product in North America.

Carboline, a world leader in high performance coatings and lining systems, provides a comprehensive line of products for the protection of steel and concrete substrates from corrosion and fire damage. Carboline's products are widely used by specialty coatings applicators in the commercial and industrial markets including bridge and highway, petrochemical, water and wastewater treatment, general manufacturing, rail, pulp and paper, power, pipelines/terminals, and other markets where long-term asset protection is a high priority. Carboline serves these markets with an international sales force working directly with specialty applicators/contractors, facility owners, engineers, architects, and manufacturers.

Mr. Richard M. Wilson, president of Carboline, said: "With the acquisition of AD Fire Protection Systems, Carboline will improve its competitive advantage in the commercial fireproofing market to complement its position in the heavy duty, industrial fireproofing segment. The combined product offering represents the best solution to all segments of the fireproofing market, consistent with Carboline's long-term product development strategy. AD Fire will also strengthen Carboline's position with specialty coatings and fireproofing applicators."

RPM International Inc., a holding company, owns subsidiaries that are world leaders in specialty coatings and sealants serving both industrial and consumer markets. RPM's industrial products include roofing systems, sealants, corrosion control coatings, flooring coatings and specialty chemicals. Industrial brands include Carboline, Tremco, Stonhard, Day-Glo, Euco and Dryvit. RPM's consumer products are used by professionals and do-it-yourselfers for home maintenance and improvement, automotive and boat repair and maintenance, and by hobbyists. Consumer brands include Zinsser, Rust-Oleum, DAP, Varathane, Bondo and Testors.

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synergies; (i) risks related to the adequacy of its contingent liability reserves, including for asbestos-related claims; and other risks detailed in the company's other reports and statements filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the risk factors set forth in the company's prospectus and prospectus supplement included as part of the company's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-114259), as the same may be amended from time to time. RPM does not undertake any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect future events, information or circumstances that arise after the date of this release.
