LANXESS at the 4th International Rubber Congress & Exhibition 2006

New Therban® AT grades

Leverkusen – The chemicals group LANXESS is presenting its two new grades of low-viscosity Therban® AT at the 4th International Rubber Congress and Exhibition in Lyon, France: Therban® AT C 3443 VP (34 % ACN/3.5 % RDB/ Mooney 39) and Therban® AT A 3904 VP (39 % ACN / < 0.9 % RDB/ Mooney 39).

When combined with narrow molecular weight distribution, the uniquely low viscosity values offer significant advantages over HNBR products with standard viscosity – easier mixing, injection molding shorter cycle times and enhanced surface quality for extrudates. Other benefits of the new grades include the reduced need for plasticizers, less mold fouling and the possibility of adding larger amounts of filler without impairing the processing properties. Customers also benefit from the outstanding combination of physical properties. The Therban® AT (Advanced Technology) product range is therefore used in all highly stressed dynamic mechanical applications such as stators and blowout preventers for the oil industry, seals, toothed belts, hoses, rubber rollers for paper processing, and the cable industry.

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