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Severn Trent De Nora Offers Improved Internal Corrosion Resistance in New Coating System for OMNIPURE™ Marine Sanitation Devices

FORT WASHINGTON, Pa. – November 28, 2006 – Severn Trent De Nora has partnered with International Protective Coatings, a unit of Akzo Nobel, to develop a highly durable internal coating system for its OMNIPURE™ marine sanitation devices. The coating, Interseal 670HS, offers excellent coverage and corrosion resistance, ideal for use with OMNIPURE units, which are designed for operation in the severe, corrosive environment of sewage collection and treatment for the offshore oil and gas industry. Interseal 670HS protects the inside of the OMNIPURE units, which continually transport a highly corrosive combination of seawater, sewage and sodium hypochlorite disinfection solution produced by the OMNIPURE process. This improved protection enhances system operation and extends the life of the product.

Dana Casbeer, Severn Trent De Nora's offshore and marine Product Line Manager, said: "The fact that we have been able to standardize on an internationally accepted coating product and system for our many worldwide customers eliminates one of many design issues at the project level, providing our customers a superior product while maintaining the highest quality of equipment."

OMNIPURE units are used globally by drilling and offshore exploration companies for installation aboard floating and/or fixed offshore facilities including drilling platforms, floating storage and loading (FSO), floating production storage and offloading (FPSO) and newer deepwater spar and tension leg platform (TLP) installations. The units are the only marine sewage systems that oxidize sewage in an electrolytic cell while producing sodium hypochlorite. The United States Coast Guard and the International Maritime Organization have certified each unit in the product line.

About Severn Trent De Nora, LLC

Severn Trent De Nora, LLC (www.severntrentdenora.com) is a joint venture offering a solid foundation to support marine and offshore industrial water disinfection needs by drawing upon the strength and global resources of Severn Trent Services, Fort Washington, Pa. (www.severntrentservices.com) and Gruppo De Nora, Milan, Italy (www.denora.it). Severn Trent De Nora offers the benefits of enhanced technical solutions and a greater range of services by combining the seawater disinfection capabilities of both companies. Severn Trent De Nora offers products to serve marine waste water treatment applications and the seawater disinfection needs for the following applications: power generation, desalination facilities, coastal industry, offshore oil and gas facilities, general marine, cruise vessel industry and navies worldwide.

About Akzo Nobel

Akzo Nobel is the world's largest paint company, developing and supplying innovative coatings products for more than 200 years. The company supplies paint and finishes for a wide range of applications such as industrial, transport and marine markets as well as the do-it-yourself and professional decorating sectors.

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Custom OMNIPURE™ unit with factory standard coating system, including the new Interseal 670HS system.

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