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Airbus A380 Benefits From AGY's S-2 Glass[®] Roving

Aiken, South Carolina, March 30, 2004 – AGY today announced that two components for the A380 airplane, the newest and largest aircraft in the Airbus fleet, will be made with GLARE composite reinforced with AGY's *S-2 Glass* roving.

According to published reports, the A380 airplane will include the largest use of composite materials in any commercial aircraft to date. The two components specified for GLARE composite reinforced with *S-2 Glass* roving are a part of the upper fuselage and the leading edge of the vertical stabilizer.

“The combination of light weight performance as well as the flame, smoke and toxicity advantages provided by *S-2 Glass* reinforcements allowed Airbus to reduce weight in this new state-of-the-art aircraft,” says Will Chafin, Market Manager, *S-2 Glass* Products, AGY.

“Partnering with Cytec Engineered Materials and FMLC (Fibre Metal Laminates Centre of Competence), AGY was able to bring a high performance material together with a cutting edge laminate technology and provide the solution that meets the needs of Airbus.”

AGY is a leading global producer of fiberglass yarns and high strength fiberglass reinforcements used in a wide variety of composites applications. Headquartered in Aiken, SC (USA), AGY has a European office in Lyon, France, and manufacturing facilities in Aiken, SC, and Huntingdon, PA. Additional information may be found at the company's website, www.agy.com, or by email at info@agy.com.

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