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Galaxy Associates to Participate in Technical Presentations at FABTECH, November 2 – 4, 2010 in Atlanta, GA.

Galaxy Associates, Inc., a Cincinnati-based supplier of specialty chemical products, is excited to announce that, David Chalk, Ph.D., will present 3 different technical seminars on “Transition Metal Coatings”, the viable alternative to iron phosphate pretreatment programs, at FABTECH this November. Descriptions of each presentation can be found below:

Presentation 1

Subject: *Modern Pretreatment Technologies Forum*

Working Title: *From Sandpaper to Zirconium – Evolution of Modern Pretreatment Technologies*

Abstract: Evolution of cleaning and pretreatment technologies is discussed, with emphasis on the modern driving forces of current research and development. The primary drivers of modern pretreatment development are: 1) Environmental regulations; 2) Energy conservation, and 3) Demand for increasing process efficiencies. The modern nano-technologies are introduced, with emphasis on the inorganic transition metal products that have gained significant traction in the current market. The presentation closes with a series of “Hints and Tips” for those who are new to cleaning and pretreatment, particularly to the newer transition metal conversion coatings. This presentation is designed to be the introduction to, and anchor for, a Modern Pretreatment Technologies Forum.

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Presentation 2

Subject: *Applications of Transition Metal Coatings; User Technologies Forum*

Working Title: *How Do Modern Transition Metal Pretreatments Work? – A Series of Practical Case Studies to Answer Practical Questions*

Abstract: Many newcomers to the modern transition metal conversion coatings are daunted by the significant changes from the more traditional phosphate conversion coatings. Their concerns, a veritable litany of "Frequently Asked Questions", will hopefully be addressed: How are these coatings different from one another? How do they work? How do I control this new process? How much money can I save? Can I get better salt spray? Do I need to make any changes to my current process? What effect will it have on my parts? What do I have to tell my customers? My phosphate discharge is heavily regulated...is there any phosphate in this material? Can I dump it? How often do I have to dump it? How do I know when to dump it? Answers to these questions are presented in the context of practical Case Study stories. The presentation will leave attendees with a much greater knowledge base and perhaps greater confidence to embrace the new pretreatment technologies for their own processes.

Presentation 3

Subject: *Commercial Forum*

Working Title: *Galaxy Associates Presents New Cleaning and Pretreatment Technologies for the Modern Era*

Abstract: A new series of products, aimed directly at those who must regulate phosphorus discharge, significantly slash process costs, comply with increasing demands on process efficiencies, and present a "green" image to their communities and customers is described. The cleaners feature the absence of all metals, a modern array of organic packages, delivering dramatic results. They combine well with the new environmentally friendly transition metal conversion coatings.

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