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PUROLITE IN COURT OVER STOLEN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

***Ionic Resin Exchange Company Sues Competitor Thermax***

BALA CYNWYD, Pa. – March 1, 2007 – Purolite, a leading global supplier of ion exchange resins headquartered in Bala Cynwyd, Pa., is suing Thermax, an ion exchange resin supplier based in Pune, India, and several of their key US employees, in Federal district court in Philadelphia, for allegedly stealing tens of thousands of pages of intellectual property. James Sabzali, Narvinder Sachdev, Nancy Gleasman and Cindy Gresham, four former senior Purolite employees, who, en masse, defected to Thermax in early 2005, are listed as co-conspirators in the legal action. In legal proceedings to date, Narvinder Sachdev, former Purolite Plant Manager and technologist, has admitted to stealing thousands of pages of recipes and financial information that Purolite considered highly classified. Sachdev stored the data on personal thumb drives prior to his departure from Purolite. Forensic tests show that Sachdev did in fact view these documents on Thermax computers at both its Michigan site and headquarters in Pune, India.

“Purolite is taking the prosecution extremely seriously. Large volumes of highly confidential information were taken and this information gives Thermax an unfair advantage in the market place. Purolite has spent the last 25 years developing this technical and commercial information at an expense of tens of millions of dollars. To allow this unethical and immoral action to proceed unchecked would not only harm Purolite but the industry as a whole” said Purolite’s Vice President, Jacob Brodie. “Because of the vast amount of significant intellectual property Purolite maintains, we want to make clear that these actions will not be tolerated.””

Brodie said that Sachdev was a trusted employee with 18 years of experience at Purolite and that he signed a contract with Thermax, prior to leaving the company. The new employment contract stated he would help develop products and technologies he previously worked on at Purolite. The case

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is being prosecuted because Purolite believes it was sabotaged by Sachdev and the people who put him up to his illegal deeds. Before Sachdev's arrival at Thermax, the company did not possess ingredients or know-how that would enable them to make these particular products. The remaining defendants, all sales and marketing specialists, are believed to have been hired to plunder Purolite's customer base utilizing the newly, illegally gained technologies. The case against Thermax and the other individuals involved is still in court.

Purolite Corporation was founded in 1981 and is a leading manufacturer of ion exchange, catalyst, adsorbent and specialty resins and the only company to focus exclusively on this market. Headquartered in Bala Cynwyd, PA, the company has ISO-9000:2001 certified sales offices in more than 30 countries as well as manufacturing and R&D facilities in the USA, China and Romania. Purolite also has a dedicated central research and development facility in the United Kingdom.

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