

News Release

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PERFORMANCE FIBERS EXPANDS POLYESTER YARN PRODUCTION IN GERMANY FOR SEWING THREADS AND COATED FABRICS

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 15, 2006 – Performance Fibers today announced an expansion at its Bad Hersfeld, Germany facility for low-denier industrial (LDI) yarn used in sewing threads, and coated and laminated fabrics.

The company is making a multi-million dollar investment in modernized draw winder machinery that will expand capacity by more than 10 percent. The new line is expected to start up by the middle of next year.

The fine-denier, high-tenacity yarns are used in sewing, embroidery, outdoor fabric, awnings, banners, outdoor signs, flags, technical textiles and apparel.

“This investment keeps our state-of-the-art facility in Bad Hersfeld competitive and strengthens our position as a leading provider of LDI yarns for specialty applications,” said Greg Rogowski, president and CEO of Performance Fibers.

Performance Fibers, an affiliate of Sun Capital Partners, acquired INVISTA Resins & Fibers GmbH’s German polyester yarn business in August. The acquisition included manufacturing facilities in Bad Hersfeld, Bobingen and Guben, and commercial operations in Hattersheim, Germany.

About Performance Fibers

Performance Fibers is a leading global supplier of high-tenacity polyester fibers, engineered fabrics, sewing thread fibers and advanced materials. With manufacturing facilities in North America, Asia and Europe, its products are used in a wide range of consumer and industrial applications. For more information, visit www.performancefibers.com.

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Sun Capital Partners, Inc. is a leading private investment firm focused on leveraged buyouts, equity, debt, and other investments in market-leading companies that can benefit from its in-house operating professionals and experience. Sun Capital affiliates have invested in and managed more than 135 companies worldwide with combined sales in excess of \$30.0 billion since Sun Capital’s inception in 1995. Sun Capital has offices in Boca Raton, Los Angeles, New York, London and Shenzhen.

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