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E.T. Horn Selected by Momentive for Exclusive Distribution

La Mirada, CA – June 3, 2008 - The E.T. Horn Company, a leading distributor, supplier, marketer, and manufacturer of specialty chemicals, today announced that it has been selected by Momentive Performance Materials, Inc. to represent and distribute its specialty silicones for personal care products in eleven western states including Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

Wilton, CT-based Momentive produces a wide range of personal care and cosmetic materials including its proprietary Velvisel™, Silsoft™, Tospearl™, and Softouch™ brands. The new partnership is expected to enrich the portfolio and increase sales for E.T. Horn's Cosmetics and Personal Care Group.

"Momentive Performance Materials is the perfect fit to our vision, which is to be the preferred supplier of the ingredients that create groundbreaking products in today's competitive marketplace," said Christina Fiduccia, Vice President of E.T. Horn's Cosmetics and Personal Care Group. "Momentive's innovative materials are an ideal fit for what our personal care customers are seeking, and I am excited about the added strength this gives to our leading position in the western region of the United States."

Officials at Momentive expressed mutual enthusiasm and anticipation for a productive relationship with E.T. Horn: "When selecting a western U.S. distribution partner for our personal care business, we looked for a strong customer focus, a keen understanding of the market, a tradition of innovation in sales and logistics and a reputation for service excellence," said Shawn D. Williams, President, Americas-Silicones, Momentive. "E.T. Horn was the clear partner of choice, both for its strong commercial focus and its reputation for providing outstanding service to its clients – a commitment we share. We look forward to working closely with E.T. Horn and expect the transition of our western states' personal care business to be complete by the end of June."

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About The E.T. Horn Company -

The E.T. Horn Company is one of the nation's largest distributors, marketers and manufacturers of raw materials and chemicals for use in coatings, building materials, elastomers, lubrication, nutrition, cosmetics, personal care, and food products. Founded in 1961, the company has focused on providing formulation solutions, superior customer service and technical expertise in distributing products from only the finest manufacturers. For additional information contact the company at 800-442-HORN or visit **www.ethorn.com**.

About Momentive -

Momentive Performance Materials Inc. is a premier specialty materials company, providing high-technology materials solutions to the silicones, quartz and ceramics markets. The company, as a global leader with worldwide operations, has a robust product portfolio, an enduring tradition of service excellence, and industry-leading research and development capabilities. Momentive Performance Materials Inc. is controlled by an affiliate of Apollo Management, L.P. Additional information is available at **www.momentive.com**.

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