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Solutia's Therminol(R) 55 Heat Transfer Fluid Selected for Major Tank Terminal Expansion in Louisiana

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 12 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Solutia Inc. (NYSE: SOA) announced today that International Matex Tank Terminals (IMTT) in St. Rose, Louisiana has selected Solutia's Therminol® 55 synthetic heat transfer fluid for use in its 2009 major expansion project. Therminol has been used at this plant for over 30 years with the first system installed in the early 1970's. Over the last 30(+) years, the site has gone through numerous expansions and this is just the latest and *largest* expansion project in the steady growth of IMTT in St. Rose. IMTT is a 50 year old privately held company that is a world-class provider of bulk liquid handling services.

"Solutia has been a longstanding, reliable supplier to IMTT in St. Rose and we have always been very pleased with the level of technical service and support that we have received," said Mr. Rene Ockman, Director of Support Services, IMTT. He added, "Therminol 55 has always met our expectations. We realize that there are other suppliers out there, however, with Solutia's track record of exceptional performance and proven technical services for over 30 years, we are confident that Therminol 55 will work well and we will continue to experience smooth operation for many years to come."

Therminol 55 heat transfer fluid will be used at the tank terminal to provide indirect heat to fifty-eight very large storage tanks containing materials such as asphalt, diesel fuel and other high melting point compounds that need to be kept warm in order to prevent them from solidifying. Premature or unplanned failures of the heat transfer fluid system in these terminals is not an option since doing so can result in long outages, costly downtime and unreliable operation. "The synthetic chemistry of Therminol 55 gives it an advantage over other fluids such as conventional mineral oils since it is much more resistant to the effects of oxidation and has outstanding thermal stability. Combine the performance of Therminol 55 with the no-cost value-added services that the Therminol technical service team provides such as on-site technical training, design assistance, system troubleshooting, sample analysis services, 24/7 toll free technical and customer service hotlines and fluid trade-in program(1), it is no surprise that tank terminals such as IMTT continue to put their faith in us," said Mr. James Fordonski, Global Asphalt Market Lead for Therminol heat transfer fluids.

Mr. Richard Altice, Vice President of Commercial Services for Technical Specialties, Solutia Inc., added, "IMTT has been a valuable customer of Solutia and we are very pleased to continue to earn their business as they continue to grow."

Solutia offers a worldwide network of product supply by manufacturing Therminol heat transfer fluid on four continents and offers an unmatched worldwide network of technically skilled Therminol heat transfer fluid specialists to provide expert service and support. Solutia is the world leader in synthetic heat transfer fluids, providing nearly 45 years of excellence in technical support, customer service, performance and innovation.

For more information on Therminol heat transfer fluid in the U.S., please call +1-800-426-2463 or visit www.therminol.com.

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(1) Trade-in program only available in North America

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company operates globally with approximately 3,100 employees in more than 60 locations. More information is available at www.Solutia.com.

About IMTT Inc

International-Matex Tank Terminals is a world-class provider of bulk liquid handling services; it is a privately owned company characterized by: 1. The capability for quick response from direct owner involvement in management. 2. Dynamic growth in size and sophistication over five decades of operations. 3. Stable well-trained work-force. 4. Community involvement. 5. Strategic locations throughout North America. Complementary Businesses include: U.S. Strategic Petroleum Reserve, St. Rose Wholesale Nursery, Warehousing Support Services, Environmental Services.

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