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Akrochem becomes the major distributor for SI Group in the rubber industry within North America

AKRON, OH – August 31, 2020 – [Akrochem](#), a leading provider of rubber chemicals and compounding materials, today announced it's been chosen as the major distributor for [SI Group](#) in the rubber industry for the United States and Canada. Akrochem will continue to represent SI Group's full line of phenolic resins, aminic and phenolic antioxidants, and antiozonants for elastomer compounding.

The agreement further solidifies a long-term business relationship between the two companies, and supports SI Group's consolidation of its rubber distribution network in the coming months. SI Group, based in Schenectady, New York, develops and manufactures performance additives, process solutions, pharmaceuticals, and chemical intermediates globally.

"The new distribution agreement strengthens an over 50-year relationship between Akrochem and SI Group," said Akrochem Vice President Gary Jeffries. "It reinforces Akrochem's strength in the rubber industry, and positions both companies for sales growth."

SI Group's Vice President of Rubber & Adhesives Solutions, Robert Kaiser, commented, "SI Group is committed to providing extraordinary service to our customers, and our strengthened partnership with Akrochem is a clear path to ensuring an exceptional customer experience in the region."

Akrochem's broad line of rubber compounding products and innovative technical experience contribute to the success of organizations throughout the world. Akrochem works with its customers to optimize cure systems, improve chemical dispersion, and produce better batch uniformity to help companies become more profitable.

About Akrochem

Improving customer productivity has been Akrochem's goal since the company began serving the rubber and plastic industries in 1929. Akrochem provides a comprehensive assortment of compounding materials and color concentrates – from the basic to the most complex and customized – all supported by the industry's best technical expertise and service. Akrochem promotes professionalism through its ISO-9001-2015 and National Association of Chemical Distributors (NACD) accreditations. Visit www.akrochem.com for more information.

About SI Group

SI Group is a leading global developer and manufacturer of performance additives, process solutions, pharmaceuticals and chemical intermediates, with strong market positions in the plastics, oilfield, rubber,





fuels & lubricants, active pharmaceutical ingredients and industrial resins industries. SI Group solutions are critical to the quality and performance of countless industrial and consumer goods. Headquartered in Schenectady, New York, SI Group operates more than 30 manufacturing facilities on five continents with approximately \$2 billion in annual sales, and more than 3,000 employees worldwide. SI Group is a portfolio company of SK Capital Partners. SI Group is The Substance Inside. For more information, visit <https://www.siigroup.com>.

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