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AGC Chemicals Americas Announces Filled PTFE Compounds Process Patent

AGC Chemicals Americas announced today that they have been granted a United States Patent for a new process of manufacturing filled polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) compounds. The patent (USP 6,911,489) is entitled "Methods for Preparing Agglomerated Pellets," and was issued on June 28, 2005.

This novel process allows AGC Chemicals Americas to produce Fluon[®] Filled PTFE Free Flow Compounds in a continuous production operation which maximizes product quality, consistency and manufacturing efficiency. Additional benefits of this process include improved product properties such as tensile strength, tensile elongation, and bulk density as well as improved pellet homogeneity and uniformity.

According to Gary Eckrote, Fluon[®] Filled PTFE Compounds business manager, "AGC Chemicals Americas is committed to providing the highest quality filled PTFE compounds in the world, and, with this new environmentally-friendly technology, we are even better positioned to be a full-service solutions provider."

AGC Chemicals Americas is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Asahi Glass Company (AGC) headquartered in Tokyo, Japan. AGC is a leading manufacturer of fluoropolymer resins, compounds, and elastomers with manufacturing facilities in the United States, the United Kingdom, and Japan.

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