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THRACE-LINQ HIRES QUALITY ASSURANCE MANAGER

Geosynthetics supplier expands staff in response to continued growth

SUMMERVILLE, SC—April 28, 2009— Thrace-LINQ announces the expansion of their quality assurance department to meet the needs of the growing geosynthetics market.

James H. Brown, Jr. has joined Thrace-LINQ as quality assurance manager. Brown will be the focal point and technical support liaison between the plant facility and the various corporate support groups, will provide, develop, and oversee the effective deployment of a product, process and quality strategy, and will provide overall leadership and management of the Quality Assurance department in performing quality, safety, compliance and certification functions. He comes to Thrace-LINQ with over 12 years of quality experience, including 5 years Manager, Quality & Engineering. Previously, Brown served as a Manager of Quality & Engineering for Shaw Industries and as Continuous Improvement Manager for Behr Heat Transfer Systems.

“In the geosynthetics industry, our top priority is listening and responding to our growing customer needs,” said Thrace-LINQ vice president S. Davis Taylor. “We tapped Brown to join the Thrace-LINQ team for he brings results-driven and detail-oriented problem solving methods and a proven track record for utilizing Six Sigma and Lean Manufacturing strategies while enhancing quality programs that achieve stellar results from product development to delivery.”

Thrace-LINQ recently started production on its new needling Nonwovens line, with capacity in excess of 7,000 tons/year. Brown will play a major role in quality assurance as the company continues to expand.

Thrace-LINQ: Commencing operations in May 2007, Thrace-LINQ, Inc. is a supplier of woven and nonwoven polypropylene-based geosynthetic technical fabrics for a wide variety of textile applications in the Americas. Our corporate office and United States manufacturing and distribution center is located in Summerville, South Carolina. Thrace-LINQ is a member of The Thrace Plastics Group, owned by the thirty-year old industry veteran Thrace Plastics Co., SA of Athens, Greece. For more information please visit www.thracelinq.com.

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