

## Press Release

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### Ten Cate Nicolon is now TenCate Geosynthetics, part of Global Branding Initiative

Pendergrass, Georgia, USA, May 22, 2006----Royal Ten Cate has launched its new corporate and visual identity, which is the result of a Global Branding Project. All operating companies within Royal Ten Cate will now be known as TenCate, followed by the descriptive commercial division: Protective & Outdoor Fabrics, Aerospace Composites, Armour Composites, Geosynthetics, Industrial Fabrics and Synthetic Grass. The former Ten Cate Nicolon will now be known as TenCate Geosynthetics (and Industrial Fabrics where appropriate). With our common logo and brand, TenCate can streamline its focus and company objectives to build a stronger brand and create stakeholder value. One common identity will strengthen our communication to the marketplace.

Due to our history of providing fabrics that enhance our customers' products, TenCate will be synonymous with "materials that make a difference." This is also the new TenCate tag line.

The continued use of our brands Mirafi®, Geotube®, Permatron®, and Aquagrid™ will have new logo designs which will include the corporate identity of TenCate. The new look of TenCate will become increasingly visible throughout the remainder of 2006.

"I am excited that TenCate has taken the steps necessary to send a clearer consolidated message to our customers, suppliers and shareholders. Under the new name and logo, we will continue to provide our customers with outstanding quality and service. We will truly supply *'materials that make a difference.'*", stated Dave Clarke, TenCate Global Group Director.

#### About Royal Ten Cate

Royal Ten Cate is a multinational company which combines textile technology with related chemical processes and formulations in the development and production of functional materials. Various market applications are created around this technological basis. Within the selected strategic core activities, Royal Ten Cate presents itself as a developer and producer of specialty materials with the functional and qualitative characteristics required by end-users. TenCate stimulates and structures technological innovation and product and process development in such a way as to occupy long-term leading positions in markets. Royal Ten Cate is based in Almelo, The Netherlands.

#### About TenCate Geosynthetics

TenCate Geosynthetics is a global leader in providing geosynthetic products with related application knowledge to the construction industry and other markets. Through the processing of synthetic raw materials we deliver innovative and reliable products. We are committed to the progress and enhancement of our customers' needs and objectives by producing quality geosynthetics and industrial fabrics that make a difference. We have offices and manufacturing operations in North America, Europe, and Asia. Please contact us at 800-685-9990 for more information.

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