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Dr. Dieter Freitag Inducted into Plastics Academy Hall of Fame

Chelmsford, MA, March 7, 2006 - Bayer AG and Triton Systems, Inc. (Triton) are pleased to announce that Dr. Dieter Freitag, former research head of Bayer's plastic group and head of material sciences in Central Research, presently Triton's Chief Technology Officer for Polymer Technologies, will be inducted into the Plastics Academy's Hall of Fame.

Dr. Freitag will be one of eight inductees worldwide this year. Founded in 1972, the Plastics Academy Hall of Fame is designed to honor and recognize individuals who have contributed most significantly to the growth and success of the plastics industry. Prior inductees include George Eastman, film pioneer and founder of the Eastman Kodak Company; Leo Baekeland, inventor of the first commercial thermoset resin; and Paul Flory, 1974 winner of the Nobel Prize for Chemistry. Among this year's inductees is Jack Welch, former General Electric Chairman and CEO.

Dr. Freitag is the inventor or co-inventor of several hundred patents of which many are granted in the US for new products in the field of engineering thermoplastics, for such important applications as compact discs (CDs), multi-layer plastic sheets which are currently used around the world for greenhouses, and in a variety of architectural applications. Also during his tenure at Bayer, Dr. Freitag invented APEC[®] HT, a new polycarbonate with superior heat resistance used extensively in automotive lighting and medical devices. APEC[®] HT represents a significant breakthrough in polycarbonate plastics due to its transparency, combined with high heat resistance. The products resulting from inventions by Dr. Freitag and his team have contributed to over \$1.5 billion dollars in worldwide sales for Bayer.

Dr. Freitag started his career in 1967 at Bayer AG, where he spent over thirty years researching and developing innovative polymer technologies. While at Bayer, Dr. Freitag took on roles of increasing responsibility, becoming a Group Leader in thermoplastics research, Director and Head of Research and Development for the Plastics Business Group, and ultimately Head of Bayer's Material Research Department for its Central Research Group. In 1985, Dr. Freitag was awarded the Otto Bayer Gold Medal, named for Dr. Otto Bayer, the inventor of polyurethane chemistry, an award for highest technical achievements in the company. In addition, he served as Chairman of the Bayer AG Materials Research Committee from 1994 until 1997.

Following his retirement from Bayer in 2001, Dr. Freitag joined Triton Systems first as consultant and later as Chief Technology Officer for Polymer Technologies. Since joining Triton, Dr. Freitag has continued his tradition of inventions in polymer chemistry. Most recently, along with his team, he invented a new family of extremely flame retardant FX[™] polymers. FX[™] represents a cost effective family of polymers that are extremely tough, inherently flame retardant, transparent, heat stable and halogen-free, suitable for various

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applications. "We are very fortunate to have a distinguished scientist of Dr. Freitag's caliber as part of Triton's team," noted

Triton President and CEO Ross Haghghat. "Dr. Freitag's induction to the Hall of Fame is most deserved - not only because of his distinguished career and his valuable contributions to the plastics industry, but also for his unyielding pursuit of scientific truth, unwavering energy and dedication as a researcher and mentor who never lost contact with laboratory."

Dr. Dieter Freitag has been recognized throughout the world for his contributions. In 1997, Dr. Freitag received the Herman F. Mark Medal, given by the Austrian Research Ministry in Vienna in honor of Dr. Mark, himself a member of the Plastics Hall of Fame, for his achievements in the field of engineering plastics and especially polycarbonates. In 2000, Dr. Freitag, was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Sciences by the Russian Academy of Sciences for his outstanding contribution in the field of Polymer Sciences and Chemistry Technology. In December 2000, for his performances in the field of environmentally friendly chemistry, he became a member of the oldest scientific academy of the world, the Italian Accademia dei Georgofili.

About the Academy of Plastics - Plastics Hall of Fame

The Plastics Hall of Fame was established in 1972 to recognize those who, through dedication, work and accomplishment have contributed most significantly to the growth and success of the plastics industry. Since that time, inductees have included Nobel Prize winners, major chemical company founders and inventors of the plastics we use every day. It is one of the most significant awards in the plastics industry. The induction ceremony will take place in Chicago on June 19th, 2006. The National Plastics Center in Leominster, MA is home to the exhibit of Plastics Hall of Fame inductees.

See <http://www.plasticshalloffame.org> and <http://www.plasticscenter.org>.

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It is headquartered in Leverkusen, North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany. (<http://www.bayer.com> and <http://www.bayermaterialscience.com>)

About Triton Systems, Inc.

Triton Systems Inc. (Triton) develops and commercializes disruptive technologies based on advanced materials by applying a distinctive blend of technical, marketing and business expertise. The company is dedicated to creating innovative materials-based products and processes for the U. S. government and commercial markets. The Company is located north of Boston in the town of Chelmsford, MA. (<http://www.tritonsystems.com>)

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