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**Trexel and Proper Group to Present
Second MuCell® Process Technical Symposium**

Wilmington, MA, & Warren, MI, Jan. 5, 2012 – Trexel and Proper Group officials announced today that the two companies will co-host a second MuCell® Process Technical Symposium on January 26, 2012 at Proper Group Headquarters in Warren, MI. The decision to hold a second seminar came about after RSVPs for the initial seminar exceeded all expectations and registration was forced to close early.

The day-long seminar will deal with all aspects of Trexel's MuCell® microcellular foaming technology, including design for MuCell®, Expansion Molding with MuCell®, tool design for MuCell®, enhanced surface finish materials, Variotherm process for improved surface finish, a custom molder's perspective, along with a presentation on how precision-controlled electric valve gates improve processing and part quality. As part of the program, attendees will receive a tour of Proper Group facilities and witness MuCell® process part production as well. Lunch will be served and there will be ample time for discussion and questions.

"Proper is located in the heart of the North American automotive industry," said Steve Braig, President & CEO of Trexel "and they're both a market and technology leader. They're an ideal partner for MuCell® technology as we look to accelerate penetration of the MuCell® process in the automotive market," said Steve Braig, President and CEO of Trexel

Joe Grippe, VP Sales and Marketing for Proper Group International, said that like most manufacturers today, "we're trying to make things faster, cheaper and lighter. MuCell® is a part of that effort, and their technology is a key to our strategy. We're proud to co-host this Symposium, and we know that attendees will come away impressed with the technology and capabilities of both companies."

For more information, or to register for the January 26th MuCell symposium,

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About Proper Group International

Proper Group International is ranked among the top mold manufactures in North America, and leverages its exceptional engineering talent and leading edge technology to consistently deliver on time the highest quality tooling. From initial product and tooling feasibility through production process validation at its "State of the Art" tryout facility (up to 3000 ton), Proper Group provides customers with a single source option for their most demanding programs. Proper Group International, in addition to its headquarters in Warren, MI, has manufacturing facilities in Anderson, South Carolina and Shenzhen, China. For more information, please visit <http://www.propergroupintl.com>.

About Trexel and the MuCell® Process

The MuCell® Microcellular Foam technology from Trexel Inc. is a complete process and equipment technology that enables the production of high quality plastic parts with significantly enhanced dimensional stability, lower weight/material and reduced cycle time. MuCell® technology involves the introduction of precisely metered quantities of atmospheric gases (nitrogen or carbon dioxide) in the plasticizing unit of an injection molding machine to create a microcellular material structure in the end product. The creation of these microcellular structures brings a wide array of benefits including an increased part quality along with reduced production costs.

Trexel, Inc. has led the development of the MuCell® Microcellular foaming technology and has pioneered many plastic processing solutions. Process deployment as well as equipment is supported by teams of highly qualified engineers through Trexel subsidiaries in North America, Europe, and Asia. For more information, please visit www.trexel.com.

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MuCell® Symposium Program
January 26, 2012
Proper Group International
Warren, MI

- 9:30 – 10:00** **Registration**
- 10:00 - 10:15** Welcome.

Steve Braig, President and CEO Trexel
- 10:15 - 11:00** **Trexel: Basics of MuCell molding, Part Design for MuCell and Expansion Molding with MuCell.**
Speaker: Scott Powers, Technical Development Manager
- 11:00 - 11:45** **Proper Tool Group: Tool Design considerations for MuCell (proper cooling, gating and venting).**
Speaker: Joe Grippe, VP Sales and Marketing
- 11:45 - 1:00** **LUNCH and Plant tour plus see MuCell part production and live demo of Synventive e-Gate control.**
- 1:00 - 1:45** **BASF: Enhanced surface grade material for MuCell**
Speaker: Harold Colwell, Technical Development Engineering Manager
- 1:45 - 2:15** **Trexel: Variotherm technology overview improving surface appearance of the MuCell surface.**
Speaker: Levi Kishbaugh, VP of Engineering
- 2:15 - 2:30** **Break**
- 2:30 - 3:15** **Plainfield Precision: MuCell as a problem solving process: case study.**
Speaker: Jonathon Soucy, President Advanced Technology Group
- 3:15 - 4:00** **Synventive: e-Gate: how precision controlled electric valve gates improve processing and part quality.**
Speaker: Brian Bechard, President
- 4:00** **OPEN Q&A**