



Press release

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Coatings Business Repeats Top Supplier Success with Turkish Aerospace Industry

For the fifth year running Turkish Aerospace Industry (TAI) has awarded AkzoNobel Aerospace Coatings 'Golden Status' in its annual Supplier Performance Rating System.

This is the highest rating of five possible levels and only given for exceptional service where a supplier exceeds expectations across a range of indicators, from product delivery to supplier support.

"We expect our suppliers to deliver the right quality at the right time with proper documents and we expect to have a smooth information flow and collaborative approach whenever problems arise," said Safiye Kahveci, head of Procurement and Material Planning at TAI.

"We are very glad AkzoNobel Aerospace Coatings has once again been rated as a golden supplier for the year 2008."

TAI was established in 1984 to bring together all aspects of the Turkish aerospace industry and includes the Turkish armed forces, the government, and the Turkish Aeronautical Association among its shareholders.



At its world-class facility in Ankara, the business employs 2,800 people and is a successful sub-contractor for the international aeronautical OEM industry for both civil and military aircraft.

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As a preferred Gold status supplier, AkzoNobel Aerospace Coatings provides a full range of approved epoxy primers for the structures, including composites, on various aircraft and helicopters including the F16, B737, Airbus A400, A318, A319, A320, A321, Casa CN 235, the Cougar AS series, Sikorsky S-70A and Agusta Bell Helicopters.

TAI is a long term customer of AkzoNobel and over the years the two businesses have formed a close and effective partnership. Ever since TAI introduced the supplier grading scheme in 2003, the coatings business has received the highest accolade. "It's only by ensuring that we keep this high level of co-operation and service that we are able to maintain our top status in this rigorous procedure," commented René Bremer, Middle East Sales Manager for AkzoNobel Aerospace Coatings. "The OEM sector demands one of the highest quality standards in the aerospace industry. Our success with TAI is the result of teamwork across both businesses."

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Note to editors

About AkzoNobel

AkzoNobel is proud to be one of the world's leading industrial companies. Based in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, we make and supply a wide range of paints, coatings and specialty chemicals – pro forma 2008 revenue totaled €15.4 billion. In fact, we are the largest global paints and coatings company. As a major producer of specialty chemicals we supply industries worldwide with quality ingredients for life's essentials. We think about the future, but act in the present. We're passionate about introducing new ideas and developing sustainable answers for our customers. That's why our 60,000 employees – who are based in more than 80 countries – are committed to excellence and delivering Tomorrow's Answers Today™.

About AkzoNobel Aerospace Coatings

At AkzoNobel Aerospace Coatings we strive to develop, manufacture and supply high-quality coating solutions to serve the current and future needs of the aviation industry worldwide. We are always finding ways to improve our products and provide new practical answers to customer's needs including reduced process times, technical support, enhanced protection to aircraft, and unique colors with brilliance. We think about the future, but act in the present. We're passionate about developing sustainable answers for our customers.

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