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De Beer Lakfabrieken B.V. changes its name

As you are aware, De Beer Lakfabrieken B.V. is part of Valspar. In order to create a company image that will be easily recognisable throughout the world, we have decided to change the name De Beer Lakfabrieken B.V. into valspar bv as of 1 January 2008. It goes without saying that nothing else will change for you as a client of De Beer Lakfabrieken B.V. You will receive the same high quality and service levels from valspar bv as you have come to expect from us, as well as all your regular purchases.

HS420 Clear Coat C248

We will shortly introduce a new HS420 Clear Coat, the C248, for use in combination with the following HS420 hardeners: H44 Fast, H48 Medium Fast and H45 Standard. An addition to the existing hardeners H44 and H45, the H48 hardener has a VOC content that lies below 420g/l and a mixing ratio of 2:1 (no balancer needed).



New mixing colour

Our Octobase Eco system features a new mixing colour: the W43. This transparent red mixing colour has been added to our existing line of products to widen the red colour range and is primarily suited for formulating clear, bright colours with deep flop. The new mixing colour is available in 500 ml containers.

New Technical Data Sheets

The TDS's of the Octobase Eco system have been adapted to correspond with the extended shelf lives of some of the water-based mixing colours. These TDS's are also available on the latest COINS CD-ROM.

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London taxis change colour

Earlier this year, the new London taxi, the TX4, was introduced. Due to close collaboration between De Beer Lakfabrieken B.V. and one of the largest taxi dealers in London, we had the colour formulations ready before the taxis took to the streets. Our colour database has been extended with 13 taxi colours already and more are to follow in 2008.

Please note:

NON-VOC-COMPLIANT PRODUCTS ARE PROHIBITED AS FROM 1 JANUARY 2008

We would like to remind you that no Non-VOC-compliant products will be sold after 1 January 2008 due to VOC regulation 2004/42/EC.



Sunrise children's village

Sadly, a large number of children throughout the world do not have families to turn to for warmth, love and support.

We are therefore pleased to inform you of the following: De Beer Lakfabrieken B.V. will again make a €20,000 donation to Sunrise Children's Village, a foundation that helps orphans in Cambodia by building schools and providing education, among other things.

The foundation is using the donation we made last year to fund part of a new centre housing 140 children in southern Cambodia. Several of the children who will be accommodated are infected with HIV. As HIV is becoming an ever greater problem in Cambodia, Sunrise Children's Village has an increasing number of children with HIV in its care and supports various projects for children with HIV. Sunrise Children's Village also supports a project for street children and a children's hospital.

De Beer Lakfabrieken B.V. would like to express its warm appreciation for this foundation.

On behalf of the De Beer Lakfabrieken B.V. Management Team, we wish you and your family a very happy festive season.

With the Christmas holidays just around the corner, this is generally considered the season for looking back and reflecting on the past year. It is also the season when families and friends come together.

Safety Day

On Thursday 11 October 2007, the entire staff of the De Beer Lakfabrieken B.V. in Lelystad participated in a Safety Day. The employees attended four workshops about spills, consisting of a demonstration by the fire brigade, a demonstration by our forklift and reach truck instructor, a film on the consequences of unsafe behaviour and a workshop dealing specifically with hazardous substances. The aim of this day was to learn about safety issues in a different, interactive manner. All participants, including Vice President of Valspar Automotive Refinish Business Andrew Hecker, considered the day a great success and a highly instructive experience. Healthy staff in a healthy business!



Valspar INDUSTRIAL LINE

The following products have been added to the Valspar Industrial Line:

- UV8991,1L UV899 Uni Varnish
- UV6991,1L UT699 Uni Thinner Standard

Carl Wierks promoted

On 1 December 2007, Commercial Manager of De Beer Lakfabrieken B.V. Carl Wierks will leave the company for a post as General Manager of Valspar Automotive North America and South America. Everyone here in Lelystad would like to wish Carl every success in his new position in America.



Holidays De Beer

Due to Christmas and New Year's Day our company will be closed from Monday the 24th of December 2007 until Wednesday the 2nd of January 2008.

When placing orders, please take this into account concerning your stock and new orders.