



Koppers Signs Three-Year Contract With CSX for Rail Joint Bars

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PITTSBURGH, PA, Sep 30, 2011 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX) -- Koppers Inc., a subsidiary of Koppers Holdings Inc. (NYSE: KOP), and CSX Transportation Inc. ("CSX") have agreed to a three-year contract for bonded rail joint assemblies. Koppers also provides CSX with various other types of rail joint bar and track component products, treated railroad crossties and other related products and services. The total value of the bonded rail joint assembly contract is estimated at \$12-\$13 million over the three-year period. Koppers will produce the bonded rail joint assemblies for CSX at its Huntington, West Virginia facility, which was acquired in December 2010 from Portec Rail Products Inc.

"We are very pleased to be able to sign this contract for our new business and continue to expand our relationship with a highly valued customer like CSX," said Walter W. Turner, president and CEO, of Koppers.

About Koppers

Koppers, with corporate headquarters and a research center in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is a global integrated producer of carbon compounds and treated wood products. Including its joint ventures, Koppers operates facilities in the United States, United Kingdom, Denmark, The Netherlands, Australia and China. The stock of Koppers Holdings Inc. is publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "KOP." For more information, visit us on the Web: www.koppers.com. Questions concerning investor relations should be directed to Leroy M. Ball at 412 227 2118 or Michael W. Snyder at 412 227 2131.

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