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3M announces an end to PFAS manufacturing by 2025

ST. PAUL, MN–3M announced (https://news.3m.com/2022-12-20-3M-to-Exit-PFAS-Manufacturing-by-the-End-of-2025) it will exit per- and polyfluoroalkyl substance (https://www.epa.gov/pfas/pfas-explained) (PFAS) manufacturing and work to discontinue the use of PFAS across its product portfolio by the end of 2025. PFAS, also known as "Forever Chemicals," are a large chemical family of more than 4,700 highly persistent chemicals that don't occur in nature. PFAS are the most persistent synthetic chemicals (https://chemtrust.org/pfas/) to date, they hardly degrade in the natural environment, and have been found in the blood and breast milk of people and wildlife around the world.

Pole/Zero wins \$54 million contract with Australian navy

DOWNERS GROVE, IL—Pole/Zero (https://www.mpgdover.com/en/company/brands/pole-zero.html), part of MPG Solutions and Dover (https://www.dovercorporation.com/), was awarded a \$53,544,462 contract (https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/polezero-awarded-over-53-million-contract-by-the-us-department-of-defense-301708426.html) to procure antenna interface units and communications trays, technical data, assemblies, subassemblies, and spares for the P-8A Poseidon communications suite in support of the navy, Foreign Military Sales customers and the government of Australia. The work will be performed in West Chester, Ohio, and is expected to be completed by October 2028. Pole/Zero analyzes, designs, builds and supports interference mitigation and spectral purification solutions for industrial and defense manufacturers and integrators of RF/microwave electronics.

Greif wins awards for social responsibility and sustainability

DELAWARE, OH–Greif Inc. (https://www.greif.com/), a global leader in industrial packaging products and services, announced it has received two awards recognizing the company's leadership (https://www.recyclingtoday.com/news/greif-earns-corporate-social-responsibility-awards/) and continued commitment to corporate social responsibility. Greif was recognized with an "A-" rating in climate change by CDP, a non-profit organization that runs the global disclosure system for entities to manage their environmental impact. The rating places Greif in the "Leadership" category and reflects the company's efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and effectively manage its climate risks and opportunities. In addition, Newsweek recognized Greif as one of America's Most Responsible Companies (https://www.newsweek.com/americas-most-responsible-companies-2022) for the fourth year in a row.

RoboTire announces partnership with Creamery Tire

DETROIT, MI–RoboTire (https://www.robotire.com/), a Michigan-based robotics and automation startup that designs and deploys systems to change vehicles' tires, announced a partnership with Creamery Tire Inc., (https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/robotire-continues-to-expand-by-deploying-at-creamery-tire-301707611.html) a Detroit-owned and -operated tire service center founded in Pennsylvania. Creamery Tire is deploying RoboTire's fourth-generation tire changing system at its location in a north Philadelphia suburb. The partnership between Creamery Tire, which offers customers a unique tire-buying experience, and RoboTire's state-of-the-art systems using robotics, machine learning and artificial intelligence will improve the overall tire changing experience for customers in Pennsylvania.

Quest Analytics achieves Certified status with HITRUST

OVERLAND PARK, KS-Quest Analytics (https://questanalytics.com/), the leader in provider network management solutions and services, announced that Quest Enterprise Services has earned Certified status for information security by HITRUST. (https://questanalytics.com/news/quest-analytics-achieves-hitrust-risk-based-certification/) HITRUST risk-based, 2-year certified status demonstrates that Quest Enterprise Services has met key regulations and industry-defined requirements and is appropriately managing risk. This achievement places Quest Analytics in a small group of organizations worldwide that have earned this certification. By including federal and state regulations, standards, and frameworks, and incorporating a risk-based approach, the HITRUST Assurance Program helps organizations address security and data protection challenges through a comprehensive and flexible framework of prescriptive and scalable security controls.

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