

# News Release



## **BASF introduces new Elastollan® TPUs for low coefficient of friction and low-tackiness applications**

WYANDOTTE, MI, March 26, 2009 – BASF, the world's largest supplier of thermoplastic polyurethanes (TPUs), recently added enhanced versions of Elastollan® LoCoF and Elastollan® Lo-Tac to its line of products. The new Elastollan LoCoF combines increased abrasion-resistance with a low coefficient of friction (LoCoF). The improved Elastollan Lo-Tac features greater low tackiness (Lo-Tac), without additives.

Elastollan LoCoF is for applications that require toughness, scratch resistance, chemical resistance, low temperature flexibility and hydrolytic stability. Applications for the products include hoses, tubes, wire and cable jacketing, golf balls, horse shoes, rail pads, mining screens and caster wheels. Elastollan LoCoF can be injection molded or extruded and is processed easily to help manufacturers achieve high productivity levels and contain costs.

Elastollan Lo-Tac can be injection molded or extruded and is for applications requiring matte or gloss finishing, less surface tackiness and high abrasion resistance. Examples include hoses and tubes, cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) and wire and cable applications.

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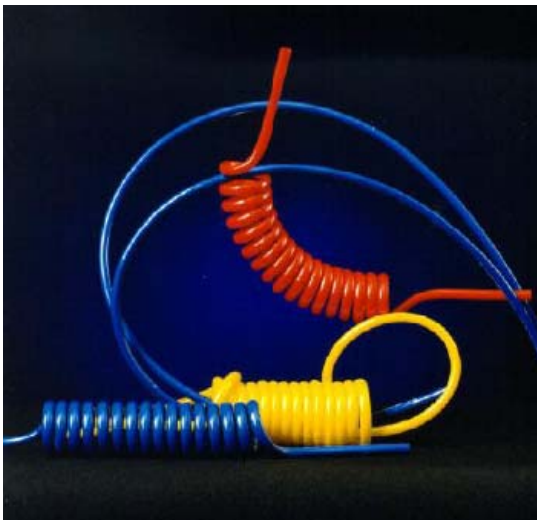
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BASF's Elastollan® LoCoF - High performance TPU pneumatic tubing



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