



News release

BASF Ultramid® Ccycled® polyamide chemical recycling solution contributes to TE's sustainable development

- **TE Connectivity's automotive connector made with BASF's circular solution Ultramid® Ccycled® polyamide**
- **Automotive connector to be showcased at CHINAPLAS 2025**

Shanghai, China - April 11, 2025 - At CHINAPLAS 2025, TE Connectivity (TE) and BASF will jointly introduce a new TE automotive connector with components made from BASF Ultramid® Ccycled® polyamide, a circular solution with an attributed share of pyrolysis oil originating from Asia-sourced post-consumer plastic waste. Through the mass balance approach, Ultramid Ccycled offers the same identical high-performance properties as virgin fossil-based materials.

TE and BASF's long-standing partnership is based on a shared vision for a sustainable automotive industry. The automotive connector is an example of how industry collaboration can accelerate the transition toward sustainable material solutions. Together with BASF's Ultramid Ccycled, TE has successfully integrated materials with a certain portion of recycled material into the connector, achieving the target of reducing fossil resource consumption and product carbon footprint without compromising on quality and performance. In addition, TE is actively expanding the application of BASF's Ultramid Ccycled in meeting the evolving sustainability demands of the industry.

"TE, a global technology enterprise in the field of connectivity and sensor solutions, is dedicated to delivering high-quality, sustainable, and cost-effective solutions to its customers. TE always prioritizes technological innovation and sustainable development. The cooperation between TE and BASF not only reduces carbon emissions but also drives material innovation, turning sustainability into a driving force for the enterprise," said Thomas Shen, Senior Vice President and General Manager of TE's Automotive business unit in Asia-Pacific.

With chemical recycling, post-consumer plastic waste that is not recycled mechanically for technical or economic reasons is converted into pyrolysis oil. The recycled feedstock is fed into BASF's production process as a drop-in solution to enable customers' requirements such as product carbon footprint reduction target and recycled content target. The share of recycled material is attributed to the certified products according to a third-party audited mass balance approach.

"The circular solution Ultramid Ccycled demonstrates BASF's strong focus on feedstock transformation in its integrated value chains. BASF will continue to explore the use of Ultramid Ccycled in other industry applications, supporting its customers in meeting evolving industry demands," said Andy Postlethwaite, Senior Vice President, Performance Materials Asia Pacific, BASF.

The automotive connector will be showcased at CHINAPLAS 2025 (April 15-18, Shenzhen, China, BASF booth: Hall 17 D91).

About TE

TE Connectivity ("TE") headquartered in Ireland, is a global industrial technology leader creating a safer, sustainable, productive, and connected future. Our broad range of connectivity and sensor solutions enable the distribution of power, signal and data to advance next-generation transportation, energy networks, automated factories, data centers, medical technology and more. With more than 85,000 employees, including over 9,000 engineers, working alongside customers in approximately 130 countries, TE ensures that EVERY CONNECTION COUNTS. Learn more at www.te.com.cn and on WeChat.

About TE Automotive Business Unit

The headquarters of TE's automotive business unit in China is in Shanghai and operates 10 offices throughout the country. TE has built seven factories in the core area of the Yangtze River Delta, with a total production area of about 200,000 square meters, and an engineering technology center in Suzhou. TE employs more than 7,000 people, including over 1,100 engineers. With comprehensive local development and verification capabilities, reliable product quality, ample production capacity, and efficient operations, TE has always been at the forefront of the industry, providing outstanding solutions and services to customers both locally and globally. We leverage localized development and rapid response as our main competitive advantages to help our customers gain a competitive edge in the market, in the face of increasingly complex and intelligent automotive electronic systems. In cooperation with upstream raw material suppliers, we constantly seek to optimize and sustainably utilize materials.

In the fiscal year 2024, TE generated revenue of \$15.8 billion, with TE Automotive Business Unit contributing \$6.8 billion to this total. With more than 85,000 employees, including 9,000 engineers, TE working alongside customers in approximately 130 countries. Learn more at www.te.com



About BASF

At BASF, we create chemistry for a sustainable future. Our ambition: We want to be the preferred chemical company to enable our customers' green transformation. We combine economic success with environmental protection and social responsibility. Around 112,000 employees in the BASF Group contribute to the success of our customers in nearly all sectors and almost every country in the world. Our portfolio comprises, as core businesses, the segments Chemicals, Materials, Industrial Solutions, and Nutrition & Care; our standalone businesses are bundled in the segments Surface Technologies and Agricultural Solutions. BASF generated sales of €65.3 billion in 2024. BASF shares are traded on the stock exchange in Frankfurt (BAS) and as American Depositary Receipts (BASFY) in the United States. Further information at www.basf.com.

About BASF's Performance Materials division

BASF's Performance Materials division leads the transformation of the plastics industry by merging sustainability with a competitive edge. Our broad material competencies and product portfolio, backed by deep industry knowledge and understanding, make us the ideal one-stop-shop. With dedicated material-focused teams and strong R&D power, we constantly deliver industry-leading technologies and expertise to our customers worldwide. Our global network ensures a competitive advantage through superior innovations, regional proximity, and tailor-made solutions that meet local market demands. We are committed to enhancing performance and efficiency across sectors such as automotive, consumer goods, industrial applications, and construction. With BASF, our partners embark on #OurPlasticsJourney towards a more circular and sustainable future. In 2024, the Performance Materials division achieved global sales of €6.8 billion. Join #OurPlasticsJourney on LinkedIn <https://www.linkedin.com/showcase/basf-performance-materials/> and in our newsletter https://plastics-rubber.basf.com/global/en/performance_polymers/plastics-journey-newsletter

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