

3M and Sony Sign License Agreement for Optical Film Technology

3M announced today that 3M and Sony Corporation have signed a license agreement that grants Sony the right to use certain 3M optical film technology in its prismatic films for LCD TV products.

This license agreement reflects the increased desire by 3M and Sony to work together to provide the overall best solution for the LCD TV panel market. Specific terms of the license agreement are confidential.

3M's optical film technology is used to make electronic displays, such as LCD TVs, laptops and cell phones, significantly brighter than displays without enhancement films, more energy efficient and more vibrant in real-life lighting conditions by optimizing and recycling light. By enabling vivid, lifelike pictures in environments ranging from natural daylight to a darkened room, optical film technology from 3M offers consumers more flexibility to use their electronic devices in a variety of locations without sacrificing picture quality.

About 3M

A recognized leader in research and development, 3M produces thousands of innovative products for dozens of diverse markets. 3M's core strength is applying its more than 40 distinct technology platforms – often in combination – to a wide array of customer needs. With \$24 billion in sales, 3M employs 75,000 people worldwide and has operations in more than 60 countries. For more information, visit www.3M.com.

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