3M and sia Abrasives Industries AG Settle Patent Infringement Disputes

ST. PAUL, Minn.--(<u>BUSINESS WIRE</u>)--3M Company, 3M Deutschland GmbH, 3M Innovative Properties Company, sia Abrasives Deutschland GmbH and sia Abrasives Industries AG have settled patent infringement lawsuits brought by 3M in the District Court of Mannheim in Germany and the Federal Patent Court in St. Gallen, Switzerland, and Robert Bosch GmbH has withdrawn its related opposition to 3M's patent rights.

The lawsuits concerned 3M's patented technology relating to precision shaped abrasive grain. Terms of the settlement are confidential.

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