



Press Release
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The Tintometer Group acquires App-Chem Ltd

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The Tintometer Group of Companies, the global manufacturer and distributor of the Lovibond® branded water analysis and colour measurement technology, today announced the purchase of App-Chem Ltd, a leading supplier of individually designed and customised water test kits for industrial water treatment. This acquisition further demonstrates The Tintometer Group's long-term commitment to the expansion of its core areas; Water and Colour Analysis.

Chris Counsell, Managing Director of The Tintometer Ltd confirmed:

"We are pleased to announce that App-Chem Ltd has been acquired by The Tintometer Ltd with effect today, 26th May, 2011. The merging of our two companies combines App-Chem's 30 years of experience and technical expertise in the water treatment industry along with the Lovibond® range of precision instruments and reagents manufactured by The Tintometer Group of Companies. App-Chem's knowledge of the microbiological and electrochemical sectors will serve to help the group expand into new applications."

App-Chem Ltd will trade independently under its well-respected name and continue to operate in Wrexham where it will enhance the group's service and support of the UK market. As part of The Tintometer Group, App-Chem Ltd will gain immediate access to its international infrastructure which will provide important advantages for its customers.

As part of the merger, Brian McGuckin will lead the App-Chem business as General Manager. McGuckin brings a wealth of experience in running successful, international manufacturing and production facilities. McGuckin stated: "I am delighted to join The Tintometer Group during this exciting phase of the company's growth and look forward to working with my new colleagues to help further expand the business."

Notes to editors:

The Tintometer Group is a leading global provider of water and colour analysis technology with operations in the UK, Germany, USA, Malaysia and Switzerland. The company prides itself on its investment in people to create innovative solutions that realise significant cost savings for customers.

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