



PRODUCT NEWS

KIRKER AUTOMOTIVE FINISHES INTRODUCES NEW UNIVERSAL V.O.C. EXEMPT REDUCER, UE-8000

**VERSATILE REDUCER MIXES WITH TOPCOAT, PRIMER AND
CLEAR SYSTEMS WITHOUT INCREASING V.O.C. LEVELS**

October 12, 2006 / NEWBURGH, NY – Responding to increased demand for versatility in materials that are compliant with evolving VOC restrictions, Kirker Automotive Finishes today introduced UE-8000, its new universal VOC-Exempt Reducer.

A blend of exempt solvents designed for mid-temp application, this new product may be used to reduce a wide variety of coatings with no impact on VOC content. UE-8000 replaces the reducer portion of a mix ratio as specified in directions supplied by Kirker and other manufacturers for different coatings products including primers, sealers, surfacers, topcoat systems (urethane, acrylic enamel, synthetic enamel) and urethane clearcoats.

This zero-VOC reducer is made with only premium-grade solvents containing no water or alcohol, and aids in flow and leveling. UE-8000 may be blended with other reducers to either increase or decrease the speed of dry, however doing so will affect the VOC level, and this will no longer be a zero-VOC product.

This latest innovation is now available for purchase from Kirker's network of dealers. Additional information about UE-8000 and Kirker's refinish systems may be found on the Web, at www.KirkerAutomotive.com.

About Kirker Automotive Finishes:

A division of Coventry Coatings Corp., based in Newburgh, NY, Kirker Automotive Finishes has manufactured paint for more than one hundred years. The line covers a complete range of automotive and fleet refinish products, including factory-packaged urethane and enamel paints, primers, clears and other related items. Kirker also maintains a significant private-label program.

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