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ECI Technical Liaison: Bill Sachs, Princeton Polymer Consultants, USA
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Jan Duchateau, Saudi Basic Industries Corporation Europe, Netherlands
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