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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **New Officers Elected to Chemical Fabrics & Film Association**

CLEVELAND, Ohio, January 16, 2002 – The Chemical Fabrics & Film Association (CFFA) has elected three new officers to direct the association's activities during 2002. These officers were elected by the CFFA membership at its annual meeting in December in Dearborn, Mich. They are as follows:

- President                      Thomas J. Carstens, Jr.  
    President, Athol Division  
    Sandusky Athol International
- First Vice President        Alfredo Frohlich  
    Chairman  
    Proquinal S.A.
- Second Vice President      Eric Hagen  
    Vice President – Administration  
    Uniroyal Engineered Products

The Athol Division of Sandusky Athol International, located in Butner, N.C., manufactures polymer-based textiles and films for the automotive and transportation markets including heavy truck, mass transit, school bus, and recreation vehicle. Proquinal S.A. is a fully integrated coated fabrics and film manufacturer supplying products to the automotive, marine, transportation, contract, shoe and small leather goods industries. Based in Bogota, Colombia, Proquinal S.A.'s products are sold exclusively in North America through Spradling International. Uniroyal Engineered Products produces decorativecoated fabrics, vacformable products and composite constructions for the upholstery, marine, medical and specialty markets, among others. The company's corporate offices are in Sarasota, Fla.

The Chemical Fabrics & Film Association is an international trade association representing manufacturers of polymer-based fabric and film products used in the medical, building and construction, automotive, and many other industries. CFFA provides education on the benefits and uses of chemical fabrics and film and supports technical research and standards development within the industry. The organization was founded in 1927 and is based in Cleveland. Additional information is available at [www.chemicalfabricsandfilm.com](http://www.chemicalfabricsandfilm.com) or by calling (216) 241-7333.

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