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**THE WOODLANDS, Texas, April 22, 2020** – Nexeo Plastics has signed an agreement with Essentium to distribute the company's engineered thermoplastic polymer (ETP) 3D printing filaments in North America, providing customers a rich offering of advanced materials that address their additive manufacturing project requirements. The Essentium filament [portfolio](#) comprises a broad array of engineering grades for the most demanding applications across a variety of end uses.

"Material constraints are a major barrier to manufacturers wanting to operate full-scale 3D printing production runs. Nexeo Plastics' materials expertise combined with Essentium's range of high-performance polymers will help solve this by giving customers more control, greater choice in materials and ultimately lower cost and higher volumes. This partnership is an important step in our mission to build an open additive manufacturing ecosystem, unlocking new possibilities for manufacturers across industries," said Blake Teipel, CEO and Co-founder, Essentium, Inc.

Effective immediately, Nexeo Plastics will carry and distribute Essentium products in the United States, Canada and Mexico, including the General Purpose, the Z Collection, Flame Retardant, Low Friction and High-Temp product lines. Each [product line](#) is formulated to address specific end-use applications, from strength and durability, to sensitive electronics use, to heat resistance and more. Nexeo Plastics will provide direct-order access to Essentium's collections via the Nexeo 3D website ([www.nexeo3d.com](http://www.nexeo3d.com)), as well as offer supporting services to resellers.

Nexeo Plastics offers a combination of 3D printing expertise, material performance understanding and application know-how – in addition to a network of raw material suppliers – to help users accelerate and optimize their production. Application development engineers at Nexeo Plastics provide insight to help customers improve designs, prototypes and workflows to achieve desired results.

Essentium's industrial 3D printing solutions enable manufacturers to bridge the gap between 3D printing and machining, and embrace the future of additive manufacturing in industries including aerospace, automotive, consumer goods, contract manufacturing and biomedical.

"We are excited to partner with Essentium to offer their innovative *Collection* line of 3D products to customers requiring high-performance, highly specified 3D printing filaments for their projects," said Shawn Williams, president and chief executive officer of Nexeo Plastics. "Their cutting-edge materials, machinery and know-how stand out in a crowded marketplace of 3D printing-related offerings."

### About Nexeo Plastics

Nexeo Plastics is a leading global thermoplastic resins distributor, representing quality products from world-class suppliers, and serving a diverse customer base across North America, Latin America, Europe, Middle East, Africa and Asia. From material selection assistance to identifying supply chain and inventory solutions, we go beyond traditional logistics to provide value-added services across many industries, including automotive, healthcare, packaging, wire and cable, 3D printing, and more. Our people, our passion, our global reach and our technology platform allow us to create unique ways

to help you reduce complexity in your business, identify efficiencies, and unlock value for suppliers and customers. Learn more at [www.nexeoplastics.com](http://www.nexeoplastics.com).

### **About Essentium**

Essentium, Inc. provides industrial 3D printing solutions that are disrupting traditional manufacturing processes by bringing product strength and production speed together, at scale, with a no-compromise engineering material set. Essentium manufactures and delivers innovative industrial 3D printers and materials enabling the world's top manufacturers to bridge the gap between 3D printing and machining and embrace the future of additive manufacturing. Learn more at [www.Essentium3D.com](http://www.Essentium3D.com).

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