

Sybron acquires Green Releaf

SALEM, Va.—Sybron Chemicals Inc., a manufacturer of applied microbiology, has announced the recent acquisition of Jacksonville, Fla.-based Green Releaf BioTech Inc. Sybron will incorporate the Green Releaf operations into its biochemical division's research and manufacturing center in Salem.

The addition of Green Releaf will combine microbial technology and resources of Sybron with Green Releaf in the application of microbes and slow release organic nutrients to enhance turf. "Sybron has always been a member of the Green Releaf team," said Ted Melnick, vice president of Sybron's biochemical division. "We're simply stepping up to the plate to accelerate the benefits golf course superintendents can reap from a technology that we believe is the future of turf maintenance."

Textron facility receives ISO 9001

LINCOLN, Neb.—Textron Turf Care And Specialty Products reports that its Lincoln facility has achieved registration to ISO 9001, the quality assurance standards developed by the International Organizations for Standardization (ISO).

The design, manufacture and distribution of products, such as Cushman utility vehicles and

Ryan turf renovation equipment, fall under the umbrella of ISO 9001 registration.

"The registration to ISO 9001 for our Lincoln facility further reinforces the comprehensive system of quality and high standards we already had in place," said Jeff Dailey, vice president of operations for Textron Turf Care And Specialty Products. "ISO registration helps us enhance and maintain our standards. To that end, our customers can be assured of receiving consistently high-quality products."



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Southern Turf Nurseries and Ecoshores partner

ROBERTSDALE, Ala. — Southern Turf Nurseries and Ecoshores have partnered to provide fine natural grasses to U.S. golf courses.

The partnership creates ecofriendly turf products including turfgrass sod, sprigs, native grasses, wetland plants, technical information and installation services.

"As a golfer, I am very aware of the importance of fine turf in the areas of play," said Steve Beeman, a marine biologist and former Ecoshores owner. "When you get into the rough, that is where we can tie aesthetics into function as it relates to design, while enhancing the natural environment and producing a habitat for sustainable wetlands and wildlife maintenance."

Since 1995, Ecoshores has planted more than 185 wetlands and golf courses and delivered products to 350 individuals who have done their own installations, primarily in Florida and the Southeast.

"This union is a natural marriage," said Beeman," due to the various farms of Southern Turf Nurseries across the country, which will bring us closer to our clients with locally selected and produced plants, design and installation services."

Jacklin on board with First Tee

POST FALLS, Idaho — Jacklin Seed has been named the official seed supplier to The First Tee. The company said that it will offer specially-priced turfgrass seed (approximately 35 percent below market price) and complimentary services of the company's regional turfgrass specialists to all First Tee course projects.Textron said that registration for the facility marks a continuing effort by to align its entire organization with ISO standards.