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### **DuPont Fluoroproducts Expands Fire Extinguishants Offering**

WILMINGTON, Del., Feb. 11 ----- DuPont Fluoroproducts will add HFC-227ea to its line of fire extinguishants to expand its global product offering and help meet growing worldwide demand for non-Halon fire extinguishants.

HFC 227ea, marketed as FE-227™, is a clean agent fire extinguishant that replaces Halon 1301. DuPont will market the chemical globally to targeted segments in North and South America, Asia and Europe, with product commercially available in the second half of 2000.

“The addition of FE-227™ to DuPont’s offering will give the market more and better options in terms of supply, product selection and quality,” says David W. Boothe, global business manager --- fire extinguishants, for DuPont Fluoroproducts. “In addition, DuPont alone will be able to provide the full range of non-Halon, non-ozone-depleting fire extinguishants on a global basis, reinforcing our commitment to safety, environmental stewardship and technology leadership in this fast-growing market.”

The company also markets FE-36™ as a streaming agent replacing Halon 1211; and FE-13™ and FE-25™ as flooding agents to replace Halon 1301 in general and specialty applications. All DuPont fire extinguishants are “clean agents,” meaning they are low in toxicity and leave no residue after application, making them suitable for areas containing sensitive or high-value assets.

Over the past decade, DuPont has invested more than \$500 million toward the development and commercialization of CFC alternatives for use in a variety of markets. The company’s offering of low- or non-ozone depleting fluorochemical products includes fire extinguishants, Suva® refrigerants, Vertrel® cleaning agents, Formacel® foam expansion agents, Dymel® propellants, and Zyron® electronic gases.

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