

## PRESS RELEASE

R-M Automotive Refinish Paints – February 2012

### **FOR SUPERIOR FINISH QUALITY, R-M LAUNCHES GRAPHITE HD SURFACER WHITE AND H390 SURFACER HARDENER**

**R-M has launched a new addition to its commercial vehicle paint range: GRAPHITE HD SURFACER WHITE, together with a specially developed hardener called H390 SURFACER HARDENER producing a fast drying, high build 2K surfacer that has very good adhesion properties and flow, it is easy to tint and perfectly suited for wet-on-wet application, while promoting excellent finish quality.**

Certain commercial vehicles, in particular fire engines, buses and cabs that incorporate a high profile corporate identity demand a high quality finish. R-M's new GRAPHITE HD SURFACER WHITE has been developed using a special combination of binders and pigments to help ensure that perfect finish thanks to its high solids content, excellent build and flow properties. In addition, GRAPHITE HD SURFACER WHITE has very good overspray absorption.

GRAPHITE HD SURFACER WHITE can be applied in just one and a half coats, significantly improving bodyshop efficiency and productivity, by cutting application times and reducing material consumption. Topcoating is possible after flashing off for at least 60 minutes at 20°C and up to a maximum of 72 hours. Once GRAPHITE HD SURFACER WHITE has dried, it can be sanded immediately.

As many commercial vehicles incorporate a wide range of substrates, GRAPHITE HD SURFACER WHITE has been developed to provide optimum adhesion for use with the range of CV primers and when used as a primer filler applied directly to GRP panels. The adaptability of the new surfacer is further enhanced as it can be plasticized with SF Additive or used as an adhesion promoter when mixed with FLEXPOR.

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The new surfacer is white to ensure optimum colour accuracy for those colours that require a white groundcoat. To maximise topcoat performance and optimise covering power, particularly on edges, GRAPHITE HD SURFACER WHITE is easy to tint using 10% GRAPHITE HD topcoat colour or CV PRIMER TINTING PASTE, to provide a range of greyscale shades.

GRAPHITE HD SURFACER WHITE can replace a single coat of GHD-RAL 9010 in two stage finishes, which are clearly identifiable in Color Explorer and Shop Master.

For the very highest quality commercial vehicle finish, GRAPHITE HD SURFACER WHITE is the guarantee of a perfect substrate.

**R-M Website :** [www.rmpaint.com](http://www.rmpaint.com)

### **R-M Automotive Refinish Paints: an important part of BASF Coatings**

Under the R-M brand, BASF markets a comprehensive range of automotive refinishing paint systems, focusing on eco-efficient waterborne basecoats and high-solids paints. By using these systems all legal solvent-reduction requirements can be complied with anywhere in the world, and with regard to appearance and resistance, the products meet the same quality standards as solvent-borne paints. In this area, the company offers a wide variety of services to support its customers. R-M Automotive Refinish Paints is approved by most of the leading car manufacturers for aftermarket repair and chosen by the world's most prestigious car companies for its color expertise.

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