

**News Focus**
**BASF Ends Force Majeure**

2018-05-02

As referenced in a letter dated January 23, 2018, BASF declared force majeure on MMDI and MMDI containing blends due to extended periods of severe weather and freezing temperatures as well as the inability to secure raw materials required to resume normal operations. Following repairs of weather related damage and recovery of raw material supply systems, BASF has been able to resume operations and secure associated raw materials. As a result, effective May 1, 2018, BASF is lifting its announced force majeure with respect to all Lupranate® MMDI based products. However, sales allocation will remain in place until further notice...[More](#)


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**Tangshan Zhonghao Announces AA List Prices for May**

2018-05-02

PUdaily, Shanghai-- Tangshan Zhonghao announces that AA list price for May is RMB...[More](#)

**China Indigenous TDI Suppliers Cut Down TDI Offer**

2018-04-26

PUdaily, Shanghai-It is reported that China indigenous TDI suppliers, like Cangzhou Dahua and Yantai Juli, etc., cut down guiding price to RMB ...[More](#)

**Furniture Market Sees Cost Inflation**

2018-04-28

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**Company Dynamic**
**Covestro and Polymaker Launch New Platform for 3D Printing**

2018-04-26

Materials manufacturer Covestro and its partner Polymaker launched a website designed to aid the use of polycarbonate in 3D printing. It is called 3DPC (www.3dprintingpc.com) and is available as of April 24th...[More](#)

**Lanxess Launches a New Prepolymer for Polyurethane Cast Elastomers**

2018-04-27

Lanxess announced that it has developed Vibrathane 7085, a polyester-based prepolymer for hot cast elastomers. According to the company, the product has MDI (methylene diphenyl diisocyanate) end groups and cures with 1,4-butanediol to polyurethane cast elastomers, distinguished by a low compression set and a high tear strength at hardnesses of 83 – 87 Shore A...[More](#)

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**U.S. Chemical Production Moves Higher in March**

2018-04-27

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**US Body Abandons Plans for New Flammability Standard**

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