

Press Release

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Latest material solutions enable simplified design, process efficiency, sustainability and increased performance of battery components for Battery Electric Vehicles

Henkel highlights solutions for next-generation design and manufacturing of battery components during Battery Show North America

Madison Heights, Michigan – As global sales of electric vehicles are set to achieve another record year in 2023 (source: IEA), manufacturers are continuing to innovate in the areas of design and production to further improve performance, range, process efficiency and sustainability. Material solutions, including bonding, thermal management, sealing and functional coatings play a pivotal role in enabling these goals. Henkel will showcase technologies & products advancing battery components at Booth #1001 during this year's <u>Battery Show North America</u>, taking place September 12-14 in Novi, Michigan.

Enabling Simplified Battery Designs

Simplifying battery designs with new approaches like Cell-to-Pack and Cell-to-Vehicle architectures enable BEV manufacturers to reduce weight, cost and improve energy density. However, eliminating battery module housings require increased mechanical performance requirements. Thermally Conductive Adhesives tolerate high mechanical and thermal impact, while continuing to deliver necessary heat dissipation requirements.

Increasing Process Efficiency

Meeting high-volume production demand for battery components requires highly efficient application processes. Through our robust network of dispense partners, Henkel offers automated, fast application processes, while reducing manufacturing steps. Henkel's Loctite EA 9400 battery safety coating, for example, is applied through precise flat streaming, eliminating the need for time-consuming masking.

Increasing Sustainability

Conductive Electrode Coatings enable higher energy density due to improved conductivity on the battery cell level – helping to increase range without increasing the size of the battery pack. While traditional process steps include wet mixing of the material, Henkel's process involves dry mixing, reducing energy demand by greater than 30 percent, reducing equipment footprint by 70 percent and providing cost savings potential in cell production of greater than 10 percent.

In addition to seeing the technology at Booth #1001, conference attendees can learn more during a <u>technical presentation</u> on September 13, from 2:30 – 3 p.m. during the *Battery in Use* track.

Increasing Performance

High-voltage battery components, such as on-board chargers, inverters, converters, e-motors and more, require protection and heat management simultaneously. Thermal potting compounds transfer heat away from embedded electronic components, while offering protective benefits of traditional potting, such as vibration/shock resistance, service life resilience, corrosion protection and chemical protection. Live application demonstrations of the technology will be offered at Booth #1001 in partnership with Henkel equipment provider, <u>bdtronic</u>, every hour on the hour during the show.

Environmental influences such as moisture, corrosion and dust can negatively impact the life of battery systems. Henkel's Sonderhoff Formed-in-Place-Foam-Gasket technology seals battery housings, protecting them against splash water and weather influences.

About Henkel

With its brands, innovations and technologies, Henkel holds leading market positions worldwide in the industrial and consumer businesses. The Adhesive Technologies business unit is the global leader in the market for adhesives, sealants, and functional coatings. With Consumer Brands, the company holds leading positions especially in hair care and laundry & home care in many markets and categories around the world. The company's three strongest brands are Loctite, Persil and Schwarzkopf. In fiscal 2022, Henkel reported sales of more than 22 billion euros and adjusted operating profit of around 2.3 billion euros. Henkel's preferred shares are listed in the German stock index DAX. Sustainability has a long tradition at Henkel, and the company has a clear sustainability strategy with concrete targets. Henkel was founded in 1876 and today employs a diverse team of more than 50,000 people worldwide – united by a strong corporate culture, shared values and a common purpose: "Pioneers at heart for the good of generations." More information at <u>www.henkel.com</u>

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Thermally conductive adhesives offer effective thermal management combined with bonding power.

Precisely contoured double seal application on the battery housing with polyurethane sealing foam Sonderhoff Fermapor K31.



Electrode conductive coatings enable faster, more sustainable and cost-effective manufacturing of battery electrodes.



Semi-automatic machine from Henkel's dispense partner, bdtronic, for manual loading for various dispensing applications.