



Quanex Announces AMSCO's Introduction of RollTrusion(TM)

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HOUSTON, March 2 /PRNewswire/ -- AMSCO, an Engineered Products Division of Houston-based Quanex Corporation (NYSE: NX), located in Rice Lake, Wisconsin, has recently introduced a new company logo and trademark to promote its RollTrusion technology.

AMSCO's RollTrusion technology combines the structural properties of roll- formed metal with the assembly and finishing characteristics of extruded thermal plastics.

RollTrusion is a continuous process utilizing metal coil with a proprietary pretreated surface, that promotes a bond during the extrusion process between the thermal plastic and metallic surface. The thermal plastic can be extruded onto a flat or roll-formed profile to meet specific customer requirements for performance. It also reduces assembly costs and provides appearance enhancements.

AMSCO has successfully combined substrates such as aluminum, stainless steel, cold roll steel, and galvanized steel with PVC (rigid, cap and flex), ABS, GE's Geloy(TM), AES's Santoprene(TM), and polyethylene. For corrosion resistance, a recommend use is AMSCO's proprietary blend of foam PVC or foam ABS. Textured surfaces are also available. Snap fit features can be designed on a RollTrusion profile, keeping the roll formed metal profile as a simple shape requiring fewer roll passes, which equate to lower tooling costs. Our skilled engineering group can help develop new profiles or modify existing profiles to accommodate original equipment manufacturing customers' specific requirements.

Sample profiles can be seen during Manufacturing Week at Chicago's McCormick Place from March 5-8, Booth No. 9131. For further information, contact Larry Armstrong at 866/522-6726.

Quanex is a technological leader in the production of value-added engineered steel bars, aluminum flat-rolled products, and engineered, formed-metal products for transportation, capital equipment, homebuilding and remodeling, food packaging, defense, and other industries. The company was founded in 1927 and its stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol NX.

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