



Koppers Holdings Inc. Announces Contract Extension to 2021 with Norfolk Southern

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PITTSBURGH, Oct. 25, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- Koppers Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Koppers Holdings Inc. (NYSE: KOP), announced today that it has agreed to a contract extension with one of its four largest railroad customers, Norfolk Southern Railway Company. In 2015, revenues from Norfolk Southern represented approximately 10 percent of railroad-related sales.



The current agreement extends the contract to 2021 from the previous 2016 expiration and includes commitments for Koppers to provide crossties as well as other related products to Norfolk Southern through the contract period.

Tom Loadman, Senior Vice President of Railroad Products and Services, said, "We place a high value on our long-term relationship with Norfolk Southern, and are pleased with their confidence in Koppers to continue serving them as a critical business partner for many more years."

Koppers President and CEO Leroy Ball said, "We are proud of our long-standing record of serving Norfolk Southern and the Class I rail industry in North America. Our commitment to supplying high-quality products and services to the rail industry will continue to be an emphasis for Koppers as we transform the company into the global leader in wood-based technology."

About Koppers

Koppers, with corporate headquarters in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is an integrated global provider of treated wood products, wood treatment chemicals and carbon compounds. Our products and services are used in a variety of niche applications in a diverse range of end-markets, including the railroad, specialty chemical, utility, residential lumber, agriculture, aluminum, steel, rubber, and construction industries. Including our joint ventures, we serve our customers through a comprehensive global manufacturing and distribution network, with facilities located in North America, South America, Australasia, China and Europe. The stock of Koppers Holdings Inc. is publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "KOP." For more information, visit us at: www.koppers.com. Questions concerning investor relations should be directed to Michael J. Zugay at 412 227 2231 or Quynh McGuire at 412 227 2049.

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