# Press release



Price Increase for Fumed Silica, Titanium Dioxide and Mixed Oxides

Effective September 1, 2008, Evonik is increasing the price of its fumed silica titanium dioxide and mixed oxides (AEROSIL® and AEROXIDE®) products worldwide. Prices will increase by 8 percent on average depending on the product and region.

Due to continued increases in the costs of raw materials, energy and logistics, Evonik is no longer able to absorb these huge cost escalations and must pass on part of the increases to the market. This is necessary to secure the high quality standard of the products, optimum service, and technical support.

Evonik will continue to monitor this situation and will make adjustments when necessary.

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## **Company information**

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