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## Axalta introduces Spies Hecker® Waterborne Full System for Chinese auto refinish market

**Cutting-edge, eco-responsible waterborne refinishing system delivers highest quality finish and color performance.**

**GUANGZHOU, CHINA – March 3rd, 2021:** Axalta (NYSE: AXTA), a leading global supplier of liquid and powder coatings, today announced the launch of its Spies Hecker® Waterborne Full System, its latest full-layer waterborne solution for refinish customers in the Chinese market. The new auto refinish coating system brings world-class technology to the Chinese refinishing industry while providing excellent color performance and a professional high-quality finish.

Engineered using Axalta’s innovative waterborne technology, the new Spies Hecker Waterborne sealer, sanding surfacer, and epoxy primer joins the existing basecoat and clearcoat to form a complete system. Designed from top to bottom to satisfy the needs of body shops, this all-in-one solution is easy to apply and offers fast drying times, while promising a beautiful finish with high color accuracy and superior durability. More importantly, it is designed for the environment, utilizing a waterborne solution that emits fewer volatile organic compounds (VOCs) than solvent-borne systems. The Spies Hecker Waterborne Full System meets the new GB24409 - 2020 national mandatory standards in China.

The Spies Hecker Waterborne Full System was unveiled and demonstrated to refinish customers at Axalta’s opening ceremony of its Southern Refinish Training Centre (RTC) in Guangzhou. At the demonstration, John Fei, Axalta Refinish China Business Director, said, “For over 3 decades, Axalta has continued to invest in the Chinese market through facilities such as the RTC and by bringing our latest innovative and environmentally responsible products and applications to customers across China. Today, the introduction of the Spies Hecker Waterborne Full System underscores Axalta’s commitment to the sustainable development of customers in China as part of our long-term growth strategy in China.”

With market demand and regulatory requirements supporting the increasing use of waterborne solutions, Axalta continues to lead the trend with its Spies Hecker Waterborne Full System, delivering world-leading sustainable technology for customers and industry partners, and promoting green technology in the Chinese refinish market.

Building on 150 years of expertise, Axalta is poised to continue growing through investments in high-growth economies, segments, and emerging technologies. “Looking to the future, Axalta anticipates long-term success in its continued partnership with stakeholders in the Chinese market. More importantly, Axalta is committed to helping Chinese customers reduce their environmental footprint through cutting-edge systems like the Spies Hecker Waterborne Full System.” John added.

### About Axalta Coating Systems

Axalta is a global leader in the coatings industry, providing customers with innovative, colorful, beautiful

and sustainable coatings solutions. From light vehicles, commercial vehicles and refinish applications to electric motors, building facades and other industrial applications, our coatings are designed to prevent corrosion, increase productivity, and enhance durability. With more than 150 years of experience in the coatings industry, the global team at Axalta continues to find ways to serve our more than 100,000 customers in over 130 countries better every day with the finest coatings, application systems and technology. For more information, visit [axalta.com](http://axalta.com) and follow us [@axalta](https://twitter.com/axalta) on Twitter.

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