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The Catalytic Process Industries in China: Markets, Technologies & Strategic Implications

In no area of the globe is there greater potential for growth and opportunity than China. The PRC represents an enormous marketplace, yet it is characterized by complex industry structures and influential local and national government participation. Understanding how the markets, the players and the governmental bodies interact is crucial for successful involvement; knowing the specific market sizes, potential for growth and opportunities for participation will undoubtedly increase the likelihood of success.

In its comprehensive study of this area, TCGR proposes to complete a series of four (4) reports on the Chinese market, each dedicated to a major catalytic process area: Refining; Petrochemical/Chemical; Polymerization; and Environmental (Mobile and Stationary). Each segment report will be a “stand alone” but integrated strategic assessment of the current situation in China. It will offer executive level guidance on opportunities and threats, with supporting data to enable further analyses in-house. Reports will document markets sizes, suppliers and buyers, industry structure, price trends and trade flows as well as technological developments and the competitive landscape. Analyses will be provided so that resultant opportunities are identified and characterized, including notable hurdles. Conclusions and recommendations will be made with specific action steps to be considered for short-term implementation.

The value of the report will be drawn from findings developed by two well-known and well-respected sources: The Catalyst Group Resources (TCGR) and the China National Chemical Information Center (CNCIC). TCGR has a history of nearly 25 years of providing catalyst industry evaluations and assessments for a global client base; CNCIC is the PRC’s leading data and information provider, with proven capabilities in data gathering and industry evaluation.

For more information, see our website at <http://www.catalystgrp.com/CatalyticProcessIndustriesInChina.html> or contact John J. Murphy at 215-628-4447 (jjm@catalystgrp.com).

**CatCon2005, scheduled for Fall, 2005, will include a special session on this topic.
Complete information forthcoming.**

The Catalyst Group Resources (TCGR), a member of The Catalyst Group, is dedicated to monitoring and analyzing technical and commercial developments in catalysis as they apply to the global refining, petrochemical, fine/specialty chemical, pharmaceutical, polymer/elastomer and environmental industries. The Catalyst Group Resources' assessment is based on information obtained from the public domain as well as internal sources and industry interviews. TCGR's analysis will report factual information, as well as hypotheses/interpretations based on this information, in order to derive a reasonable set of expectations. Factors could cause actual results to differ from our forward-looking statements and The Catalyst Group Resources undertakes no obligation to publicly revise these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof.