

## LE Acquires PhyMet, Manufacturer of MicroPoly Lubricants

**WICHITA, KS (Dec. 1, 2021)** – Lubrication Engineers, a leading developer, manufacturer and marketer of high-performance industrial lubricants and asset reliability solutions, has acquired PhyMet, manufacturer of MicroPoly® proprietary solid lubricants. This is Lubrication Engineers’ first strategic acquisition as it seeks to create a stronger, more diversified foundation for the company.

“We are excited to welcome MicroPoly into our family of brands to solve lubrication challenges focusing on more uptime for our customers,” said Eric Borland, CEO of Lubrication Engineers. “Their innovative lubricants are a proven solution for extending bearing life, improving reliability and reducing operating costs in a variety of critical applications. This acquisition strengthens our commitment to helping customers achieve higher performance and safer operations by expanding our portfolio with trusted technologies.”



MicroPoly solid lubricants consist of a mixture of polymers, oils and other additives that provide superior lubricity and longer service life than traditional lubricants. They block contaminants and are self-replenishing for reduced maintenance. MicroPoly lubricants can be customized for specific lubrication requirements to handle a wide variety of applications – including bearings, chains and wheel flanges – in industries such as food processing, steel, mining, chain, metal processing, foundry, OEM, printing and automotive manufacturing.

“We chose MicroPoly as our first acquisition due to the strength of its business, its talented team, and the unique technology it delivers to customers,” said Paul Grimes, chief growth officer.

PhyMet opened its state-of-the-art facility in Springboro, Ohio, in 2002 to meet the growing demands for MicroPoly lubricants.



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### About PhyMet

PhyMet, Inc., named for the physicist and metallurgist who founded the firm, has been dedicated to providing the highest quality solid lubricants since its founding in 1986. PhyMet’s MicroPoly® brand is the industry leader in microporous polymeric lubricants for sliding friction and bearing applications.

With its extensive research and development laboratory, PhyMet's R&D Department has led the solid lubricant industry in developing several innovative, high-performing products. These innovations were driven by customer demand for higher efficiencies and longer performance life. PhyMet has developed food grade formulations, industrial formulations, products for demanding conditions such as high speeds, high temperatures, low temperatures, and heavily loaded applications. Beyond MicroPoly-filled bearings, MicroPoly can be used to lubricate chains, gears, bushings, wear plates, wheel flanges, ball screws, and can be processed into a variety of solid profile shapes.

PhyMet has consistently provided superior product quality and technical service and is recognized as the leader in the solid lubrication system industry. PhyMet received the Blue Chip Enterprise Award from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce for "superior hiring practices and innovation in manufacturing." As part of PhyMet's commitment to total customer satisfaction and outstanding quality, PhyMet is certified to the ISO 9001:2015 standard. For more information, visit [www.micropoly.com](http://www.micropoly.com).

### **About Lubrication Engineers**

Founded in 1951, Lubrication Engineers develops, manufactures and markets premium lubricants, which – together with its full line of reliability-enhancing solutions – are designed to extend equipment life, reduce energy consumption, and minimize maintenance costs. LE operates under an ISO 9001 Certified Quality System and services customers in more than 60 countries from its flagship 150,000-square-foot production facility in Wichita, Kansas. For more information, visit [www.LElubricants.com](http://www.LElubricants.com).

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