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New Brochure Describes PVC Electrical Properties

WAYNE, New Jersey, December 16, 1988 -- An array of desirable electrical and physical properties makes PVC (polyvinyl chloride, or vinyl) the leading insulation and jacketing material for wire and cable in construction applications, according to a new brochure published by the Vinyl Institute, the national trade association representing producers of PVC and PVC raw materials and additives.

According to the four-color, eight-page brochure, titled "Wired for Safety with Vinyl Electrical Materials," vinyl commands 40 percent of the 1.4-billion-pound annual market for wire and cable coatings. More than 300 UL-listed flexible vinyl compounds are available for the coating of wire and cable used in construction.

One of the reasons for the wide use of vinyl in wire and cable and other applications is its resistance to fire. The brochure reports that typical flexible vinyl compounds will not ignite until temperatures exceed 600 degrees Fahrenheit and will not continue to burn when the heat source is removed.

Copies of the publication are available from the Vinyl Institute, 155 Route 46 West, Wayne Interchange Plaza II, Wayne, New Jersey 07470.

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