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NEW BROCHURE DETAILS FIRE PROPERTIES OF PVC

WAYNE, New Jersey, October 28, 1988 -- A new technical bulletin entitled "Fire Properties of Polyvinyl Chloride" (PVC, or vinyl) has been published by the Vinyl Institute, the national trade association representing the leading manufacturers of vinyl and vinyl raw materials and additives.

The eight-page brochure includes information on the various aspects of fire hazard, and provides details on how PVC products perform in the areas of ignitability, flammability, flame spread, heat release, smoke, mass loss and toxicity. The brochure also provides information on the health effects of hydrogen chloride -- a combustion by-product of PVC. Statistical results of research performed at Southwest Research Institute on behalf of the Federal Aviation Administration regarding the health effects of hydrogen chloride are included as well.

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The brochure contains 14 tables, charts and graphs, and is fully footnoted. Copies of the publication are available by contacting the Vinyl Institute, 155 Route 46 West, Wayne Interchange Plaza II, Wayne, New Jersey 07470. Single copies are free of charge; bulk quantities are 25 cents each for members of the Society of the Plastics Industry, and 50 cents each for nonmembers.

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