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**Trelleborg Launches Next Generation Firestop™ Material**

Trelleborg’s offshore operation launches its next-generation Firestop™ material. The newly developed fire-resistant material is thinner and lighter than any current passive fire protection materials available to the market.

Ben Erik Jansen, Business Development Director with Trelleborg’s offshore operation based in Norway states: “For decades Trelleborg has supplied the oil and gas market with fire protection solutions based on our Firestop™ technology, a rubber-based compound that can withstand severe fire scenarios.

“We developed the next-generation Firestop™ material at our in-house laboratory in Norway. Based on proven technology, the material is lighter and thinner than our first generation material. The newly formulated compound enables us to reduce both costs and lead time for our customers. Since the new material can easily be molded and extruded in all shapes and profiles, we intend to identify new applications for the material in other markets.”

In addition to developing the new material, an internal investment program was initiated to test and certify all existing Firestop™ applications for the next generation Firestop™ material.

Firestop™ is a passive fire protection material used to protect personnel and equipment by minimizing fire escalation. This provides time to evacuate people, close down critical equipment and for responders to gain control of a fire. The certified rubber-based material protects structures from exceeding critical temperature limits. The dampening, noise reducing flexible nature of Firestop™ can also protect equipment from vibrations, collisions, explosions and even earthquakes.

For additional information visit our [Firestop™ webpage](http://www.trelleborg.com/en/applied-technologies/products/rubber--solutions/firestop).

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**Trelleborg’s offshore operation and Trelleborg Group**

Using advanced polymer material technology, Trelleborg’s offshore operation provides high integrity solutions for the harshest and most demanding offshore environments. As part of the Trelleborg Offshore & Construction Business Area of Trelleborg Group, **Trelleborg’s offshore operation** specializes in the development and production of polymer and syntactic foam based seismic, marine, buoyancy, cable protection and thermal insulation products, as well as rubber-based passive and active fire protection solutions for the offshore industry. Within its portfolio are some long established and respected brands including, CRP, OCP, Viking and Emerson & Cuming. Trelleborg’s offshore operation has been providing innovative solutions to the industry for over 30 years. [www.trelleborg.com/offshore](http://www.trelleborg.com/offshore)

**Trelleborg** is a world leader in engineered polymer solutions that seal, damp and protect critical applications in demanding environments. Its innovative solutions accelerate performance for customers in a sustainable way. The Trelleborg Group has annual sales of about SEK 32 billion (EUR 3.28 billion, USD 3.69 billion) and operations in about 50 countries. The Group comprises five business areas: Trelleborg Coated Systems, Trelleborg Industrial Solutions, Trelleborg Offshore & Construction, Trelleborg Sealing Solutions and Trelleborg Wheel Systems. The Trelleborg share has been listed on the Stock Exchange since 1964 and is listed on Nasdaq Stockholm, Large Cap. www.trelleborg.com.