

3M Obtains Rulings for Injunctions Against Manufacturers of Retro-Reflective Fire Coat Trim in Two Separate Cases

ST. PAUL, Minn. – June 14, 2011 – 3M, 3M Innovative Properties Co., and 3M Canada announced today that they have settled a patent infringement lawsuit against Eurotex in Canada for infringing a 3M patent relating to reflective fire coat trim. Eurotex consented to an Order entered by the Federal Court in Ottawa, Canada stipulating that Eurotex pay 3M for past profits and issuing an injunction against Eurotex.

The injunction prohibits Eurotex from making, selling and distributing any products that would infringe 3M's Canadian Patent No. 2,188,141, including the products that Eurotex previously offered under the names TriViz, TrivizMyLite, and FireLiteC.

In a separate case, the Second Intermediate People's Court of Shanghai ruled on April 21, 2011 that Zhejiang Daoming Reflective Materials Company infringed 3M's Chinese Patent No. ZL95193042.7. The court ordered Daoming to cease the manufacture and sale of retroreflective materials infringing 3M's patent and ordered Daoming to pay damages for its past infringement. Daoming has appealed the Shanghai court's ruling and the enforcement of the judgment is suspended during the appeal process.

3M has been providing fire services with enhanced visibility products for more than 25 years. 3M™ Scotchlite™ Reflective Material – Fire Coat Trim is designed to enhance the visibility of firefighters and emergency personnel in daylight, as well as low light and nighttime conditions. 3M continues to invest in the development of innovative new reflective material products for customers around the world. Consistent with its corporate intellectual property policy, 3M will protect those investments and products by obtaining patents and enforcing its patent rights against infringement.

About 3M

3M captures the spark of new ideas and transforms them into thousands of ingenious products. Our culture of creative collaboration inspires a never-ending stream of powerful technologies that make life better. 3M is the innovation company that never stops inventing. With \$27 billion in sales, 3M employs about 80,000 people worldwide and has operations in more than 65 countries. For more information, visit www.3M.com or follow [@3MNews](https://twitter.com/3MNews) on Twitter.

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