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RHINO LININGS® FORMS NEW EPOXY DIVISION

Jeff Bassman joins Rhino Linings as Vice President to lead new unit focusing on:

- **VARTM Infusion technology for wind energy rotor blades**
- **Infrastructure retrofits for seismic upgrades and failing rebar**
- **CIPP using no dig technology forming a pipe within a pipe**

SAN DIEGO, CA (JULY 22, 2008) – Rhino Linings today announces the formation of a new Epoxy Division headed by Jeff Bassman. Bassman has been involved in the development, sales and production of thermosetting resins for the past 32 years. He brings to Rhino Linings the comprehensive knowledge and experience of high volume formulation epoxy resin systems specializing in composites applications. Bassman's special area of expertise is in the development of high performance matrix resins for use with e-glass and carbon fiber.

“Jeff's extensive background and skills gives us instant knowledge and credibility in this new arena”, stated Pierre Gagnon, CEO and President of Rhino Linings Corporation. “Together we'll build on Jeff's successful business relationships and technology knowledge to offer proven epoxy application solutions.”

Bassman's expertise includes the development and sales of ultra low viscosity epoxy resins and curatives, with an emphasis on the VARTM (Vacuum Assisted Resin Transfer Molding) or resin infusion process. VARTM is a composite manufacturing process in which the dry fibers are laid on the tool and vacuum sealed and the resin is drawn through with a vacuum pump to create rotor wind blades. Bassman's involvement in the wind energy rotor blade market dates back to its inception in the late 1970's.

The Rhino Linings Epoxy Division will also focus on two key emerging markets, which Bassman has been involved in since the early 1990's. The first is infrastructure retrofit used for seismic upgrade, blast protection and composite repair of conventional concrete/rebar structures which are failing. An added bonus to Rhino Linings is that epoxy customers already use urethane formulations.

The other main area of interest is the development of CIPP (Cured In Place Pipe) systems. This application includes thousands of independent plumbers and contractors performing repairs on home size sewer lines using a no dig technology which forms a pipe within a pipe. Large, municipality and utility scale users are also taking advantage of this technology.

About Rhino Linings Corporation

Rhino Linings Corporation, established in 1988 and headquartered in San Diego, California, USA, is a privately-held corporation and a leader in sprayed-on and rolled-on polymer protection, saving customers vast amounts in maintenance and repairs. Rhino Linings' formulations, including TuffGrip™, HardLine™, SolarMax™, Hi-Chem™, Rhino Extreme™ 90, Rhino Hybrid™ 55D, FastFloor™ HB and DF, provide a monolithic barrier against corrosion,

abrasion, impacts and skidding, are 100% solids, environmentally-friendly, and contain no VOCs, CFCs or solvents. They can be sprayed, rolled, or cast onto virtually any surface to match a specific need or application. Rhino Linings Corporation has a global retail and industrial dealer network consisting of more than 1400 independently owned dealerships and applicators in almost 80 countries. For more information about Rhino Linings, call (858) 450-0441 or visit www.rhinolinings.com.

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