

Novelis Wins Aluminum Hood Contract For Chrysler Town & Country And Dodge Grand Caravan

DETROIT, Nov. 7 /CNW/ -- Novelis Inc. has been selected by Chrysler LLC to supply aluminum sheet blanks for the hoods of the all-new 2008 Chrysler Town & Country and Dodge Grand Caravan minivans. Novelis is the world's leading supplier of high-performance aluminum sheet for use in automotive applications.

"Supplying high-performance aluminum for these popular minivans marks another vehicle segment expansion for Novelis aluminum in the automotive market," said Pat McNulty, Automotive Director for Novelis North America. This contract represents the first use of aluminum for Chrysler minivan hoods.

Chrysler's use of aluminum helps reduce vehicle mass, improve fuel economy and reduce emissions as well as improve vehicle performance and handling - factors that help make the minivans the best vehicles to transport people and things. Novelis also supplies aluminum sheet blanks for the hood of Chrysler's Jeep(R) Commander and numerous other vehicles in both North America and Europe.

Novelis will supply aluminum sheet blanks from its North American manufacturing system which includes plants in Oswego, N.Y., and Kingston, Ontario.

About Novelis

Novelis Inc. is the global leader in aluminum rolled products and aluminum can recycling. The company operates in 11 countries, has approximately 12,900 employees and reported revenue of \$9.8 billion in 2006. Novelis supplies premium aluminum sheet and foil products to automotive, transportation, packaging, construction, industrial and printing markets throughout North America, South America, Europe and Asia. Novelis is a subsidiary of Hindalco Industries Limited, Asia's largest integrated producer of aluminum and a leading copper producer. Hindalco is the flagship company of the Aditya Birla Group, a multinational conglomerate based in Mumbai, India. For more information on Novelis, visit www.novelis.com

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