

CHOMARAT NORTH AMERICA AWARDED AS 9100 CERTIFICATION FOR THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY

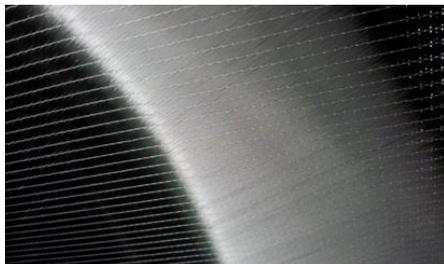
CHOMARAT North America has just been awarded AS 9100 certification. CHOMARAT Group's US facility that specializes in Advanced Composites reinforcements is located in Williamston, South Carolina. The new certification covers aerospace quality management systems and follows the Group's development strategy relative to quality and risk management. *"Our North American plant's new AS 9100 certification proves our organisational maturity and provides a vital asset to enable us to become a leading aerospace supplier,"* said Michel COGNET, Group Managing Director at CHOMARAT.

MEETING THE DEMANDS OF THE AEROSPACE MARKET

With this certification, CHOMARAT North America is following in the footsteps of the Group's French plants that were certified to ES 9100 in 2012. The facility now **meets the strict criteria set by the market for high performance composites reinforcements for the aerospace industry**. The quality system and risk management standards are recognised by purchasers worldwide and is in line with the Group's growth strategy for the aerospace market. *"We are proud of this AS 9100 certification that clearly demonstrates our commitment to quality management and reliability. This accomplishment now allows us to compete as an international aerospace supplier from multiple continents!"* said Brian LAUFENBERG, President of CHOMARAT's NA business.

C-PLY™,

THE CHOMARAT REINFORCEMENT THAT HAS ALREADY PROVEN ITS WORTH IN THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY



CHOMARAT has already made a name for itself in the aerospace market with fabrics, tapes and multi-axial carbon reinforcements, particularly its C-PLY™ range. These materials are designed for primary and secondary structures as well as aircraft interior parts. **These highly modular materials offer great angle and ply flexibility and open up new opportunities for designing lighter, more efficient and lower cost composite parts.** This is a huge advantage in a

market with high productivity demands.

This is why C-PLY™ was recently chosen by VX AEROSPACE for their foldaway drone, which can be stowed inside a cylindrical container and deployed from a tactical aircraft. **The carbon multi-axial material is used in the construction of the wing, the horizontal stabilizers, the vertical fin and all of the control surfaces.** *"There is no better material! The extremely thin multi-axial reinforcement is perfect, because strength and stiffness are tailored according to demand. It offers extremely high performance at a reduced cost."* said VX AEROSPACE Chief Engineer Bob SKILLEN.

Established in 1898, CHOMARAT is an international industrial textile group, involved in three businesses: Composites Reinforcements, Construction Reinforcements, Coatings & Films–Textiles. The privately held company operates in France, Tunisia, the United States and China to service its global customers. CHOMARAT leads a strong innovation strategy, rising to challenges, developing materials for the future. Hence, the Group invests in new technologies and enters into collaborative research programs with universities and technical centers worldwide.

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