

NSC Nonwoven and Skaps form Partnership for Newest Nonwoven Line

US-based Skaps Industries has contracted NSC Nonwoven from France to provide their equipment for a needle punching line providing geotextiles and other products to their markets. According to Skaps, the decision to purchase this line was based on a continual growth for the company and is the second from NSC within the last three years. The line includes Thibeau Excelle batt formation including IsoProDyn and the new A.C.S. system for high-speed cross lapping. The line was completed with three Asselin needle punch looms. Manufacturing equipment was installed in Skaps' Georgia location, while all after sales service and support will be supplied via NSC USA located in Fort Mill, South Carolina.

J.H. Ziegler GmbH is Extending its Hungarian Plant

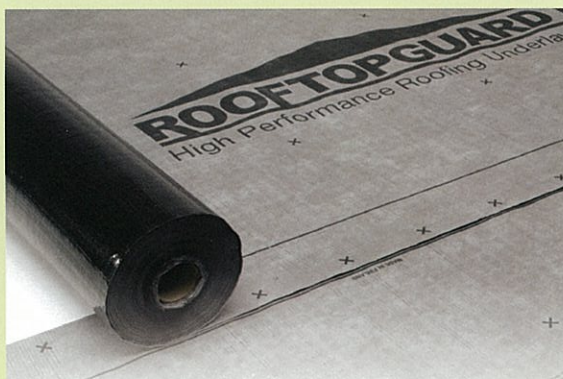
Building work for the second construction phase has already begun at the Bábolna plant of J.H. Ziegler GmbH. Nearly 7 million EUR is being invested in a new production building and in the most modern, largest and most versatile production systems for nonwovens.



The new plant will commence production in the third quarter of 2011 and is equipped to manufacture almost the entire range of the company's products.

RKW US Launches New Roofing Underlayment Products

RKW US is introducing two new products -- Aprta Elements and RoofTopGuard Craftsman. Aprta Elements is a metallic, reflective roof underlayment that reduces home and building energy costs. The second product, RoofTopGuard Craftsman roof underlayment, is based on RKW's RoofTopGuard II technology but weighs 40 percent less.



Johns Manville Announces New Commercial Roofing Single Ply Membrane Facility

Johns has announced a significant investment in a new commercial roofing single ply membrane facility in Milan, Ohio (USA). The production facility will manufacture Ethylene Propylene Diene Monomer (EPDM) roofing products beginning in the second quarter of 2012.

The new facility, a former rubber manufacturing facility, is scheduled to begin renovations in May 2011, with approximately 100 million square feet of manufacturing capacity and production scheduled for mid-2012. This will be the second new Roofing Systems facility opened by JM in the past three years. JM opened its Thermoplastic Polyolefin (TPO) plant in Scottsboro, Alabama (USA), in November 2008.