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Excerpt from transcript of Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.'s first quarter 2014 earnings call

Kevin Fogarty, President and Chief Executive Officer

We achieved start-up of our recently completed semi-works facility in Belpre, Ohio, and we continue to make progress towards securing regulatory approvals for our proposed combination with the SBC business of LCY Chemical Corporation.

In closing, I'd like now to provide you with a status update on our proposed combination with the SBC Business of LCY Chemical Corporation. I'm sure that a number of you have detailed questions about the transaction, which we will need to defer to our proxy, which we are working to finalize and file very shortly. I can say that the shareholders of LCY have already approved the transaction and we are moving forward with our regulatory review processes.

To date, we have made our initial filings in the United States, China and Turkey, and we expect to file our final jurisdiction in Taiwan within the next several days. Based upon our progress to date, we are still targeting a close in the fourth quarter of this year.

<Q Jason Freuchtel>: It looked like on an adjusted basis, cost of goods sold and SG&A came down relative to last year. Are these levels sustainable and are you starting to trim cost ahead of your acquisition and JV coming online?

<A>: A couple of drivers there. The lower raw material costs, certainly a big influence on our cost of goods sold. And relative to the SG&A and R&D, we're always looking for things that we can do better in those support functions. So I would refer you to on a full-year basis for this year, I'll refer you to the guidance that we gave with respect to R&D and SG&A for the full year. That's our best [ph] cost where we see those costs rounding out for the year. And I'd like Kevin discuss all matters that relate to LCY combination.

<A>: Yeah. And the short answer is, we are not taking actions, needless to say, to reflect the new operating model once this deal closes. But by the same view, needless to say, we won't be adding any cost or resources, because we're in a bit of a holding pattern right now from the standpoint of wanting to, needless to say, subject to all the proper regulatory authority wanting to think about transition and the resulting cost structure. And of course, we called out a synergy goal that we expect to achieve and, needless to say, that's one of the prime drivers for the transaction.

Excerpt from press release issued by Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc. announcing first quarter 2014 results

Kevin Fogarty, President and Chief Executive Officer

Finally, relative to the proposed combination with the SBC business of LCY Chemical Corp., the shareholders of LCY have approved the combination, and we continue to make progress toward securing necessary regulatory

approvals. Subject to the receipt of regulatory approvals and approval of Kraton shareholders, we anticipate that closing of the transaction could occur late in the fourth quarter of this year.

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