



Press release

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AkzoNobel completes divestment of Decorative Paints North America

AkzoNobel has today finalized the \$1.05 billion sale of its North American Decorative Paints business to US-based PPG Industries, Inc. The deal was announced on December 14, 2012.

AkzoNobel continues to have a strong presence in North America through its Performance Coatings and Specialty Chemicals businesses, with combined 2012 revenues of close to \$3 billion and around 5,000 employees.

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