



February 4, 2019
Kureha Corporation

Kureha Announces PVDF Price Increase

Kureha Corporation hereby announces it will raise prices of 'KF Polymer' polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF) products, effective for shipments on or after March 1, 2019.

Kureha's KF Polymer has seen growing demand as a binder material used for lithium-ion batteries in recent years. Meanwhile, the business has been severely impacted by increased raw materials and logistic costs, despite the company's continued cost management effort.

To maintain supply reliability going forward, Kureha is increasing its selling prices for KF Polymer products as follows.

Products:	All grades of 'KF Polymer' PVDF products
Price increase:	A 10% increase in current selling prices
Effective date:	For shipments on and after March 1, 2019

About polyvinylidene fluoride:

Polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF) is an engineering plastic that demonstrates the superior properties of a fluoropolymer, combined with the ease of processing and molding similar to common thermoplastics. Kureha provides PVDF for wide-ranging applications, including lithium-ion battery binder, water filtration membranes, fishing lines, and industrial pipes and valves.

* * * * *

For further information, please contact:

Kureha Corporation, Public & Investor Relations Department, Tel: +81-3-3249-4651