

## POOLE COMPANY INTRODUCES ECOSURE® RECYCLED FIBER FULL-CIRCLE PROGRAM

Greenville, SC – September 27, 2012 – <u>Poole Company</u>, a leading manufacturer and distributor of <u>textile fibers</u> and specialist in <u>virgin polyester fibers</u>, <u>recycled fibers</u>, <u>heavy denier</u>, and <u>nonwovens fibers</u>, announced today that it has launched a new Full-Circle program for its EcoSure<sup>®</sup> 100% PCR PET recycled fiber. With the EcoSure Full-Circle program, Poole Company will accept and recycle any item manufactured with 100% EcoSure fiber, repurposing the material again and extending its intended lifecycle.

David Poole, CEO of Poole Company, commented, "The remarkable part about Poole's EcoSure Full-Circle Program is that we are able to take a recycled fiber product – such as apparel, linens, or household wipes – and recycle it again." He continued, "This means we have not only diverted material from a landfill once – but twice. Many plastic bottles face 'end of life' as soon as they become empty. Poole Company is able to change the course and add new life – twice or more – into something already classified as 'dead.'" It's a full circle program that truly supports a never-ending cycle of reuse.

<u>Poole Company</u> developed <u>EcoSure</u> – a staple fiber made from 100% PCR PET flake – as an environmentally-friendly alternative to virgin fiber. EcoSure is produced using 100% Post-consumer Recycled PET Content as certified under the <u>SCS Recycled Content Certification</u> <u>Program</u>. <u>Studies from NAPCOR</u> determined that the use of PCR polyester fiber versus virgin polyester fiber reduces energy consumption by 84% and greenhouse gas emissions by 71%.

The EcoSure Full-Circle Program is a very flexible program for textile distributors and manufacturers and has no revenue-driven strings attached. Its sole purpose is to further extend the intended lifeline of a product and better benefit the environment. This program is in line with Poole Company's mission to be a sustainable partner. Environmental benefits' estimates for recycling 100% EcoSure products include saving 25,000 BTUs per pound and reducing greenhouse gas (~13,000 pounds is equivalent to removing a vehicle from the highways).

For more information about Poole EcoSure fiber or the Full-Circle Program, contact Poole Company at 864-271-9935 or visit www.poolecompany.com.

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## About Poole Company

For more than 35 years, Poole Company has specialized in the global manufacturing and distributing of <u>textile spinning fibers</u>. With a product portfolio including virgin polyester fibers, recycled fibers (<u>EcoSure PCR PET polymer</u>), heavy denier, microdenier, fiberfill, and nonwovens



fibers, Poole Company serves major markets and is recognized for their emphasis on sustainability and value. For more information, <u>contact Poole Company</u> at 864-271-9935 or visit www.poolecompany.com.

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