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SYNTHETIC ORGANIC CHEMICAL MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

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Raphael Vogler, President
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Dear Raphael:

I am pleased to announce that SOCMA's Board of Governors officially approved your membership application at its December 10, 2002 meeting. As President of SOCMA, I wanted to take this opportunity to welcome your company to SOCMA's membership.

Since its beginning in 1921, SOCMA has been an outspoken advocate for batch chemical manufacturers and consistently adds products and services designed to meet its member's needs. SOCMA membership has proven to be a valuable resource for many companies, and I am confident the association will play an important role in the growth of your business as well.

SOCMA is your trade association! For the past 80 years SOCMA has been committed to serving the batch, custom and specialty chemical companies in North America and abroad and will continue to do so with high-quality products and services that keep our members interested and coming back year after year. Currently, we represent the interests of more than 300 domestic and international companies.

I urge you or others on your staff to become involved with the association through participation on a committee and by attending SOCMA functions.

If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 721-4151 or send e-mail to fordinge@socma.com. You may also contact Liesa Brown, Assistant Manager, Marketing with any membership questions at (202) 721-4185 or brownl@socma.com.

Once again, welcome, and I hope to meet you soon at one of the SOCMA meetings.

Sincerely,

Edmund H. Fording, Jr.
President