



News Release

New glazing resists vandals

Makrolon® MAK™ 15 proves to be the remedy

Dateline, October 19, 2009— Sheffield Plastics, a Bayer MaterialScience LLC Business, offers a new glazing material that provides vandalism protection in the city of Philadelphia.

Entrepreneurs Kristin and Courtney Kammerer had a vision to open a unique “Tea Bar” in the heart of downtown Philadelphia. What they weren’t prepared for was night-time vandalism and theft. “We loved the location and the openness of the large glass panels that span the entire store front” said Kristin Kammerer.

Four times in the last two years vandals have broken the store front windows and doors, at the Remedy Tea Bar, and two of these incidents resulted in robbery. “Every time we had a broken window it cost us approximately \$1000 to fix... we also tried toughened glass but it still broke” according to Courtney Kammerer. “Then we received a phone call from the New Product Development Manager, Ken Schwartz, Sheffield Plastics. He had read about our reoccurring problem in the newspaper.”

Sheffield Plastics, a Bayer MaterialScience LLC company has developed several grades of new polycarbonate architectural glazing sheet products addressing the short comings of glass, one of these advanced products is Makrolon15. This innovative product was developed to work effectively in harsh environments and offers impact performance of over 200 times that of glass and is warranted for 15 years against breakage. “When Sheffield came in and talked about Makrolon 15 we were very excited” said Kristin Kammerer. “We didn’t know anything like

Makrolon 15 was available. When we called the glass house they continued to offer us glass, even after our windows broke four times!"

Kristin Kammerer stated it best. "We feel very safe now that Makrolon 15 has replaced the glass on our store front, the material looks just like glass, you can't tell the difference."

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Makrolon® MAK™ 15 polycarbonate sheet used at Remedy Tea Bar

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