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**Australia's Largest Fire Brigade Chooses SOLBERG® RE-HEALING™ Foam**

Green Bay, Wisconsin - The Solberg Company, a global supplier of firefighting foam concentrates and systems hardware, announced today that the company's Asia-Pacific operation was awarded a multi-year contract by the New South Wales (NSW) Government for supply of firefighting foam.

Solberg Asia Pacific Pty Ltd. was awarded a three year contract for the supply of RE-HEALING RF3x6 ATC™ Class B and FIRE-BRAKE™ Class A foam concentrates for use by both the New South Wales Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) and Fire & Rescue NSW (previously known as New South Wales Fire Brigades). Additionally, included under this contract are NSW National Parks and Wildlife Services, Forestry Corporation of NSW, other State related agencies, plus member agencies of the Australasian Fire Authorities Council.

RE-HEALING RF3x6 ATC is a high performance fluorochemical free foam concentrate that easily extinguishes hydrocarbon (petrol) and polar solvent (ethanol) fuel fires. RE-HEALING foam concentrates can also be used to prevent re-ignition of a liquid spill and control hazardous vapours. Fire & Rescue NSW, and NSW Rural Fire Service will no longer use AFFF, FFFP or other fluorochemical based foams that are environmentally persistent with their transition in firefighting foam technology.

FIRE-BRAKE Class A foam, achieved fame in the 1994 in assisting NSW firefighters in successfully extinguishing the largest wildfires to ever surround Sydney. By making water up to ten times more effective the product was later recognized as one of The Top 100 Australian Inventions and Innovations of the Last Century by the Sydney Powerhouse Museum and the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering.

The New South Wales Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) is a volunteer-based firefighting agency and statutory body of the NSW Government. The NSW RFS is responsible for the general administration of rural fire management affairs including administration of the Rural Fire Fighting Fund, co-ordination with local government of the State's Rural Fire Brigades, design and provision of firefighting equipment to rural fire brigades through local government, the training of volunteer Rural Fire Brigade members, community education in relation to fire affairs, emergency planning and generally taking measures for the prevention of loss and life and property from fires.

The NSW Rural Fire Service's jurisdiction covers more than 90% of the geographical area of the state of New South Wales in Australia. The NSW RFS is one of the world's largest volunteer fire service, with 70,246 volunteer members forming 2036 volunteer brigades across the state.

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Fire and Rescue NSW, also an agency of the government of New South Wales, is responsible for firefighting, rescue and hazmat services in the major cities, metropolitan areas and towns across rural and regional New South Wales. Fire and Rescue NSW is the seventh largest urban fire service in the world, with over 6,800 firefighters serving at 339 fire stations throughout the state, 408 support staff, and 6,000 community fire unit volunteers.



*A Fire & Rescue NSW Crew Utilizes SOLBERG® Foam to Extinguish a Tyre Fire*

NSW Rural Fire Service and Fire & Rescue NSW join Queensland Fire and Rescue Service, Queensland Rural Fire Service, the Australian Capital Territory (ACT) Emergency Services Agency, the Melbourne Metropolitan Fire Brigade, The Northern Territory Police, Fire and Emergency Services and Bushfires NT (Northern Territory) as converted believers in proven fluorochemical free firefighting foam technology from The Solberg Company.

Based in Green Bay, Wisconsin, with operations in Bergen, Norway and Sydney, Australia, Solberg (an Amerex Corporation company) has been involved with the manufacture of firefighting foams since the mid-1970s. Solberg's unique technology and foam systems hardware is preferred by customers in the aerospace, aviation, chemical, defense, energy, fire services, marine, mining, oil and gas, petrochemical, pharmaceutical, pipeline, solvent & coatings and utilities industries.

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### **About Solberg**

Solberg is an Amerex Corporation company with a European heritage. The company is a global one-stop resource for firefighting foam concentrates and custom-designed foam suppression systems hardware and accessories. Solberg offers environmentally sustainable fluorosurfactant and fluoropolymer-free foam concentrate products, an innovation in Class B firefighting foam and traditional firefighting foam concentrates. Solberg's people and processes are committed to quality, service and safety along with environmental responsibility. This philosophy enables the company to flourish while delivering innovations and value. More information can be found at:

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