

## **MARUBENI-INTEX AND ROCTOOL SIGNED A DEVELOPMENT LICENSE AGREEMENT**

**RocTool granted a non-exclusive development license for Japan to Marubeni Intex, a subsidiary of the trade company, Marubeni Corporation Textile Group.** This one-year development licence is a way for Marubeni to evaluate the potential of the Cage System®, RocTool inductive heating process, for the composite industry in Japan. **Marubeni-Intex considers the Cage System® as a very promising processing technology for different markets in Japan, especially carbon fibre applications.** Cycle time and surface quality are the two main advantages Marubeni-Intex is targeting with this surface heating technology by induction patented by RocTool.

**For the first time, the French innovative firm signed an agreement with a Japanese company** and like its CEO, Alex Guichard, highlights: “We are convinced that Marubeni-Intex will be a very good partner during this development, knowing their experience and expertise on the Japanese market.” A few of Marubeni’s partner companies are part of the evaluation process and will communicate results the first quarter of 2007.

*Supported since its creation in 2000 by its private and institutional shareholders, RocTool develops innovative processes and sells licences for the use of its patents. The company is currently made up of 15 employees. It is situated in Savoie Technolac, Bourget du Lac (France) and also has an office in Atlanta (USA). RocTool has twice been awarded the JEC Composite Award, once in 2001 and again in 2005.*

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