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MDS Coating Technologies Announces New Trade Name for Coating Family

-- PEI, 18 January 2012 -- MDS Coating Technologies Corporation (MCT) announces a new trade name for the nanostructured coating family previously referred to as NextGen Coating or NGC:

BlackGold TM

BlackGoldTM is OEM certified, including recent certification on the CFM56-7B, and sets a new standard in erosion and corrosion protection for gas turbine compressor parts. This technology builds on the success of the award winning **ER-7**TM coating which has operated successfully for 20 years and saved our customers over \$100 million per year in maintenance, repair, part replacement and fuel costs.

"Our **BlackGold**TM coating is flying and offers tremendous saving opportunities for Gas Turbine Engine Operators of all types", said Phil Rodger, President of MCT. The coating has successfully passed the most severe engine tests and has proven its outstanding erosion protection against sand, fluids and volcanic ash while protecting the airfoils against corrosion.



BlackGoldTM after 3 kg of volcanic ash compared to uncoated at 2 kg

About MDS Coating Technologies Corporation

MDS Coating Technologies Corporation designs and produces metallic-ceramic protective coatings for aerospace and industrial components, including erosion and corrosion resistant coatings for gas turbine compressor parts.

With a commitment to excellence, MDS Coating Technologies has gained an industry reputation for delivering quality products, as evidenced by the Performance Research Institute awarding MCT the merit status for superior performance in Nadcap audits.

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