**Snowboards latest TeXtreme® application**

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Snowboard manufacturer Fanatic Snowboards has built their new premium board models using TeXtreme® Spread Tow Fabrics. The high-performance snowboards, Blade and Duoblade, are designed to be the lightest in their categories on the market.

Both the Blade (Freeride) and Duoblade (Freestyle) boards have been tested by team riders for a year and both models enter the market this winter. Fanatic Snowboards has connections to Fanatic Windsurfing who have had successful premium windsurfing boards released. The experience and success of these windsurfing boards gave Fanatic Snowboards the incentive to test TeXtreme®.

Jerry Niedermeier, Product Manager of Fanatic Snowboards, says: “Based on Fanatic's experience with TeXtreme® collected in the past, we were able to combine ultra light weight with dynamic properties, while displaying the material used in transparent areas. We are extremely happy with the performance and the success on the market to date.”

TeXtreme® is an optimized premium carbon reinforcement used in applications and products where there are extreme needs for weight savings and performance.

For Fanatic Snowboards the optimal TeXtreme® reinforcement proved to be an unbalanced Spread Tow Fabric. This enables them to achieve greater strength and stiffness in the desired directions, which ultimately gives the snowboards the right feel.

**About Oxeon**

Founded 2003 in Sweden, Oxeon has quickly established itself as the market leader in Spread Tow Reinforcements. Use of these spread tow carbon reinforcements increases the mechanical performance of composite material products and reduces the weight. Utilization of Oxeon’s TeXtreme® Spread Tow Fabrics and TeXtreme® Spread Tow Tapes by manufacturers of advanced aerospace, automotive, industrial and sports products in applications that have critical material performance requirements has affirmed the significance of Oxeon’s ultra light materials.

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