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## **TPC Group Names Senior Vice President, Commercial Organization**

HOUSTON, March 18, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- TPC Group Inc. (TPC), a leading fee-based processor and service provider of value-added products derived from niche petrochemical raw materials, announced today that Charles W. Graham has been appointed to the role of Senior Vice President, Commercial, effective immediately. Mr. Graham will replace Russell T. Crockett who has elected to retire from the Company.

"We are very pleased to have Charlie join our management team. He brings many years of experience in the chemicals and polymers industry and a proven track record of driving strategic growth in global businesses," said Mike McDonnell, TPC Group President and Chief Executive Officer. "As TPC Group moves forward with its strategic growth plans, Charlie will be instrumental in further strengthening our focus on serving the needs of our valued business partners, including our customers and suppliers."

Mr. Graham joins TPC Group with 33 years of chemical industry experience. He spent almost 20 years with LyondellBasell and its predecessor companies, in sales, marketing and business management positions. At the time of his departure from LyondellBasell, Mr. Graham was President, Asia Chemicals, based in Hong Kong, and also had management and board responsibilities for joint ventures with Sumitomo Chemical and Sinopec. Earlier in his career, he spent over 13 years with Union Carbide in sales, manufacturing and licensing roles. Since 2009, Mr. Graham has been involved in a number of entrepreneurial activities serving the chemicals distribution and supporting services industry. He holds a degree in Business Administration from the University of Kentucky.

### **About TPC Group**

TPC Group Inc. is a leading producer of value-added products derived from niche petrochemical raw materials such as C4 hydrocarbons, and provider of critical infrastructure and logistics services along the Gulf Coast region. TPC Group sells its products into a wide range of performance, specialty and intermediate markets, including synthetic rubber, fuels, lubricant additives, plastics and surfactants. Headquartered in Houston, Texas, with an operating history of over 70 years, TPC Group has manufacturing facilities in the industrial corridor adjacent to the Houston Ship Channel, Port Neches and Baytown, Texas, operates a product terminal in Lake Charles, Louisiana. For more information, visit the Company's website at <http://www.tpcgrp.com>.

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