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The Protech Group Acquires Italian Powder Coatings Manufacturer Ripol S.r.l.

MONTREAL, CANADA – October 30, 2026 – The Protech Group, a global manufacturer of industrial coatings, today announced it has completed its acquisition of Ripol S.r.l., a well-established Italian powder coatings manufacturer headquartered in Santo Stefano Ticino, near Milan, Italy. Completed through Protech's European subsidiary, Oxyplast Belgium NV, the acquisition also includes Ripol's affiliated operations in Germany, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain, and Switzerland. This strategic expansion adds to Protech's existing European manufacturing and distribution network in Belgium, the Czech Republic, and Poland, further strengthening its regional presence and production capabilities.

Founded 25 years ago by the Di Segni family, Ripol has built an outstanding reputation in the European powder coatings industry through its unwavering commitment to product quality, technical expertise, and exceptional customer service. "Ripol has built an impressive reputation in the European powder coatings industry through its commitment to quality, innovation, and customer service," said **David Ades, President of The Protech Group**. "We are pleased to welcome Ripol to the Protech family. This acquisition strengthens our European presence and creates new growth opportunities. We look forward to building on the strong foundation established by the Di Segni family and supporting Ripol's continued success."

"We are extremely proud of what our family and dedicated employees have built over the past 25 years," said **Alberto Di Segni of Ripol**. "A commitment to quality, service, and strong customer relationships has driven our success. We are pleased to join The Protech Group, which shares our values and will help ensure the continued success and growth of our operations in Santo Stefano Ticino."

About The Protech Group

Headquartered in Montreal, Canada, The Protech Group is a privately owned global manufacturer of powder coatings, paints, adhesives, and specialty polymer-based products. With over 25 manufacturing locations worldwide, Protech delivers innovative, high-performance solutions across diverse industries, supported by technical expertise and exceptional customer service. Through strategic investments and acquisitions, the company continues to expand its global presence.

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