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**Press Release**

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**Domino & Paragon Inks join forces and create**

 **fully compliant suite of UV varnishes for global use**

Domino Digital Printing Solutions, one of the most successful leading players in the digital printing industry, and global inks specialist, Paragon Inks, have developed a full suite of varnishes specifically for overprinting on Domino’s **UV95** and **UV90** ink sets for use with their **N**-series digital inkjet label presses. Available for global use, these UV curable varnishes have been fully validated for compliance meeting multiple legislations.

Julie Cross, Technical Director for Domino’s Digital Printing Solutions division said,

“After listening to the challenges faced by some of our customers, we wanted to help them by providing a varnish optimised for overprinting UV95 printed output. We therefore set about finding a solution, ultimately deciding to work in partnership with Paragon Inks. And after 18 months of great collaboration between the two teams, we have developed a range of varnishes fully validated for compliance, and suitable for global use.”

Varnishes are used on labels for three reasons: to provide enhanced protection from sunlight, wear or abrasion to extend the life of the labels; for aesthetic reasons to enhance label designs and colours, add value and increase shelf presence; and to enable labels to be overprinted with variable information later in the packaging production process.

The first set of varnishes (matt and gloss including TTO over-printable), for use with Domino’s **UV95** food packaging compliant UV digital ink set, are optimised such that the output does not need to be corona treated before the varnish is applied. Not only does this reduce the complexity of the hybrid printing line, but in addition, it provides a solution for medias that are unable to be corona treated, such as some metallic foils. During testing, it was also identified that the gloss varnish can be used as a lamination adhesive enabling further simplification, as one varnish can be used for two applications.

These varnishes have been formulated for many non-direct food packaging applications and, under the right conditions, are migration compliant. They are suitable for global use, being fully compliant with Nestlé, EuPIA, Swiss Ordinance Annex 10 and the North American TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act).

To compliment these, there is a second suite of varnishes suitable for use with Domino’s general purpose **UV90** ink set.

Amanda Jones, Business Development and Marketing Director at Paragon Inks, concludes, “At Paragon Inks, we are committed to continuous improvement and customer service. We recognised that label converters were experiencing challenges applying varnishes to digitally printed labels. This partnership with Domino highlights how we have worked together as a team to develop a mutually beneficial solution for both organisation’s customers. We look forward to continuing to work with Domino in the future.”

For more information about Paragon Inks, visit: <https://www.paragoninks.co.uk/>

To find out more about Domino’s **N**-series digital inkjet label presses, **UV90** and **UV95** ink sets, visit: <https://go.domino-printing.com/PRJUN21N610ipage>

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**About Domino**

Digital Printing Solutions is a division within Domino Printing Sciences. The company, founded in 1978, has established a global reputation for the development and manufacture of digital ink jet printing technologies, as well as its worldwide aftermarket products and customer services. Its services for the commercial print sector include digital ink jet printers and control systems designed to deliver solutions for a complete range of labelling, corrugated and variable printing applications.

All of Domino’s printers are designed to meet the high speed, high quality demands of commercial printing environments, bringing new capabilities to numerous sectors including labelling, corrugated, publications and security printing, transactional, packaging converting, plastic cards, tickets, game cards and forms, as well as the direct mail and postal sectors.

Domino employs over 2,900 people worldwide and sells to more than 120 countries through a global network of 25 subsidiary offices and more than 200 distributors. Domino's manufacturing facilities are situated in China, Germany, India, Sweden, Switzerland, UK and USA.

Domino’s continued growth is underpinned by an unrivalled commitment to product development. The company is the proud recipient of six Queen’s Awards, the latest being received in April 2017, when Domino was awarded the Queen’s Award for Innovation.

Domino became an autonomous division within Brother Industries on 11th June 2015.

For further information on Domino, please visit [www.domino-printing.com](http://www.domino-printing.com/)

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