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Christy's Introduces New Root Inhibiting Drain Pipe Adhesive

(Anaheim, California) T. Christy Enterprises launches the first and only drain pipe adhesive that seals joints and prevents root intrusion in underground drainage pipe.

The new patent-pending adhesive – called ROOT-BAN™ Drain Pipe Adhesive – contains a proprietary chemical formulation that creates a leak-proof seal. The dual action formulation contains special ingredients that seal the pipe and cause roots to avoid contact with the pipe. Instead the roots grow around the pipe and not into the joint.

"Root intrusion is the number one cause of drainage system failure," says Laura Poston, T. Christy Enterprises director of marketing. "ROOT-BAN Drain Pipe Adhesive creates a seal that is many times stronger than the commonly used press-fit method. The active ingredients in ROOT-BAN have been proven to remain active throughout the life of the drainage system. This saves time, money and – most important – the hassle of chemical and mechanical root removal or excavation and replacement of the entire drainage system."

Roots typically enter drain lines through poorly-protected push-fit pipe connections which are often not water-tight. The roots quickly fill up the drainage pipe, impede water flow and cause premature system failure. ROOT-BAN is specially formulated to bond and seal polyethylene, HDPE and styrene drain pipe joints. The seal is both water-tight and flexible so pipes are less susceptible to shifting and separation. This eliminates seepage or leaks that attract roots and root intrusion in to joints.

ROOT-BAN is the result of an 18-month development effort conducted at the company's labs located in Anaheim, California and Hartsville, Tennessee. The development effort partnered construction professionals with the company's R&D team to identify solutions for root intrusion into drainage pipe joints.

About T. Christy Enterprises

T. Christy Enterprises is one of North America's largest manufacturers of adhesives and solvents used in the drainage, waterworks, plumbing, pool and spa, irrigation and fencing industries. The company specializes in creating adhesives and solvents for wet and muddy conditions, cool and wet climates and high productivity environments where fast set/fast cure is critical. The 40-year old company's Red Hot Blue Glue is the top-rated adhesive in the irrigation business.

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