HUNTERSVILLE, N.C. (December 10, 2013) – Momentive Performance Materials Inc., the exclusive global licensee of General Electric-branded sealants, recently obtained a patent for the complete, 100 percent silicone Air & Water Barrier (AWB) system by GE. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office issued the system U.S. Patent No. 8,513,328, directed to a novel “Fluid Applied Silicone Air and Water Barrier System and Process Thereof.”

The AWB system - which includes SEC2500 SilShield* AWB (silicone coating), GE SilPruf* (silicone sealant) and GE UST2200 UltraSpan (silicone rubber flashing) - is an enduring option for an energy-efficient, waterproof barrier around a building envelope due to its silicone makeup. Silicone’s intrinsic physical properties and chemical structure provide the basis for long-term energy efficiency; it is resistant to UV, stable under a broad range of temperatures and permanently flexible. The result of this combination is an enduring air and water barrier.

Since silicone remains virtually unaffected by seasonal temperature variations without restriction of system flexibility, it won’t become brittle or harden as it ages - conditions that can decrease the long-term effectiveness of other such systems. In addition, the AWB system by GE has the ability to withstand weather and atmospheric conditions for decades without degradation, enabling it to remain waterproof, intact and airtight, especially important while a building awaits cladding or is left permanently exposed, such as in an open joint rain screen system. Unlike other non-silicone systems on the market, which limit UV exposure to typically six months or fewer, the AWB system by GE can meet the needs of project managers and installers who have extended project schedules.

The complete AWB system by GE offers a wide range of features and benefits for owners, specifiers, installers and eventual building occupants. To learn more, visit www.ge.com/silicones.

Momentive Performance Materials Inc. (MPM) is the exclusive global licensee of GE sealants. GE pioneered silicone sealants in the 1940s and led innovative evolution of those products for decades. With a clear focus on product mastery and unparalleled technical support, MPM offers a robust line of GE-branded sealants, adhesives and coatings around the world in consumer and commercial applications.

About the Company
Momentive Performance Materials Inc. is a global leader in silicones and advanced materials, with a 70-year heritage of being first to market with performance applications for major industries that support and improve everyday life. The Company delivers science-based solutions, by linking custom technology platforms to opportunities for customers. Momentive Performance Materials Inc. is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Momentive Performance Materials Holdings LLC.
About Momentive
Momentive Performance Materials Holdings LLC (Momentive) is the ultimate parent company of Momentive Performance Materials Inc. and Momentive Specialty Chemicals Inc. Momentive is a global leader in specialty chemicals and materials, with a broad range of advanced specialty products that help industrial and consumer companies support and improve everyday life. Its technology portfolio delivers tailored solutions to meet the diverse needs of its customers around the world. Momentive was formed in October 2010 through the combination of entities that indirectly owned Momentive Performance Materials Inc. and Hexion Specialty Chemicals Inc. The capital structures and legal entity structures of both Momentive Performance Materials Inc. and Momentive Specialty Chemicals Inc. (formerly known as Hexion Specialty Chemicals, Inc.), and their respective subsidiaries and direct parent companies, remain separate. Momentive Performance Materials Inc. and Momentive Specialty Chemicals Inc. file separate financial and other reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Momentive is controlled by investment funds affiliated with Apollo Global Management, LLC. Additional information about Momentive and its products is available at www.momentive.com.

Media Contact:
Trisha McGuire
704-992-4797
Trisha.McGuire@momentive.com

GE is a registered trademark of General Electric Company.
*Trademark of Momentive Performance Materials Inc.