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## OBAVIJEST ZA MEDIJE

Nakon neutemeljenog i neobjašnjenog otkaza kreditiranja izgradnje Ecocortecovog pogona za proizvodnju biorazgradive plastike od strane Erste banke, Ecocortec je bio prisiljen zatražiti zaštitu sudskim putem. Trenutno je u tijeku parnica na riječkom Trgovačkom sudu kojim se traži donošenje privremene mjere u reguliranju odnosa Erste banke i Ecocorteca.

Očita korumpiranost austrijske Erste banke ugrozila je ovaj ne samo za Baranju nego i cijelu Hrvatsku važan projekt. Najmodernija tvornica ovog tipa u Europi, financirana vlastitim sredstvima Borisa Mikšića ipak je krenula s proizvodnjom. Erste banka svojim je nasilnim postupcima uzrokovala osmomjesečno kašnjenje proizvodnje i dovela Ecocortec u nezavidan položaj. Ovaj zaostatak onemogućio je Ecocortec da otvori planirani broj radnih mjesta u dijelu Hrvatske gdje nezaposlenost premašuje 30%.

Budući da je 95% proizvodnje Ecocorteca namijenjeno svjetskom tržištu, gubici uzrokovani postupcima Erste banke u ovom trenutku premašuju 2 milijuna US dolara. Ecocortec, u 100% vlasništvu Borisa Mikšića, bio je prisiljen pokrenuti novu tužbu na Saveznom sudu države New York, gdje je i sjedište Erste bank u SAD-u.



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Date: **Fri, 8 Jun 2007 15:17:48 -0500**  
From: **David Peterson**  
Reply-To: **David Peterson**  
Subject: **Cortec Corporation**  
To: **Hans K – ErsteBank**

Hello Hans,

I am a commercial banker at US Bank in St. Paul, MN. One of my very best clients, Boris Miksic, owns Cortec Corporation, a manufacturer of corrosion inhibiting chemicals, plastic packaging materials, and related products. Cortec has banked at US Bank since 1977. We have credit commitments to the company in the high 7 figures and they have handled all of their accounts as agreed over the course of the 30 years. I, personally, have banked Boris since 1985.

In 2006, Boris formed a company called Eco-Cortec and received a \$2.5MM loan to construct a plant and purchase equipment in Croatia to serve the eastern European countries from the Erste Bank in Croatia. Boris informed me that Erste Bank demanded payment in full after more than half of the commitment had been advanced (\$1.6MM of the \$2.5MM). According to Boris he was not in default and Erste Bank has created much hardship for him and the company. The US company Cortec Corporation has guaranteed the debt which is why I am getting involved. Knowing the financial strength of Boris, personally, and Cortec Corporation, I can not imagine why Erste Bank would call the loan.

The purpose of the email is to give you a heads up. From one banker to another, I feel it is important to discuss the situation. I plan on calling you on Monday to discuss. If you could contact your Croatian Bank to find out any information on this credit, it would be helpful. I appreciate your time in following up on this matter. Thank you.

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