



**PRESS RELEASE**  
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***“PICO SOLV NPB is the Green Replacement for Hazardous or Chlorinated Solvents”***

**PICO Chemical Corporation** announces its **PICO SOLV NPB** as a new technology chlorine-free solvent cleaner manufactured as a direct “green” replacement for tri-chlor (TCE), perchlor and other more hazardous cleaning solvents such as mineral spirits, xylene, MEK, toluene and alcohol. This value-added clear-colored fluid was developed to meet industry’s need for more environmentally responsible (non-ozone depleting) and non-hazardous solvents with better solvency performance in various cleaning applications to remove organic soils. **PICO SOLV NPB** used as received efficiently removes cutting, machining, lubricating, and stamping oils as well as greases and protective waxes. It evaporates quickly, has no flash point, is chemically stable, leaves no films or residues, and is easy to use.

Metalworking plants, metal service centers, fabricating, finishing facilities and rebuild shops should consider using **PICO SOLV NPB** to eliminate problems such as: residues in trapped areas, solvent fire hazards, rusting caused by water based cleaners, slow drying times and odor complaints. Typical applications include: oil removal from screw machined parts, dirty electrical components, oxygen service cleaning and coil-to-coil metal cleaning. **PICO SOLV NPB** is compatible with most metals, plastics and space-age materials and is inhibited against white metal staining and corrosion. If there is doubt about any material, users are encouraged to contact **PICO**’s technical personnel.

**PICO SOLV NPB** does not contain petroleum solvents, chlorinated compounds, or water for improved health, safety and environmental compliance. **PICO SOLV NPB** is easily used in vapor degreasers, ultrasonic agitators, dip tanks, enclosed spraying systems or wiping. It is a stabilized azeotropic mixture that may be distilled many times and has good wetting characteristics to evenly coat surfaces, thus releasing its full power solvency to penetrate and dissolve oil and grease films.

**PICO SOLV NPB** is available in all typical package sizes including totes, drums, pails and gallons. **PICO Chemical Corporation** is an ISO 9001:2000 certified manufacturer of value-enhanced specialty chemicals and lubricants to clean, condition, lubricate and protect metalworking, finishing and related processes since 1976.

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Photograph showing a flask of **PICO SOLV NPB** accompanies this press release.

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