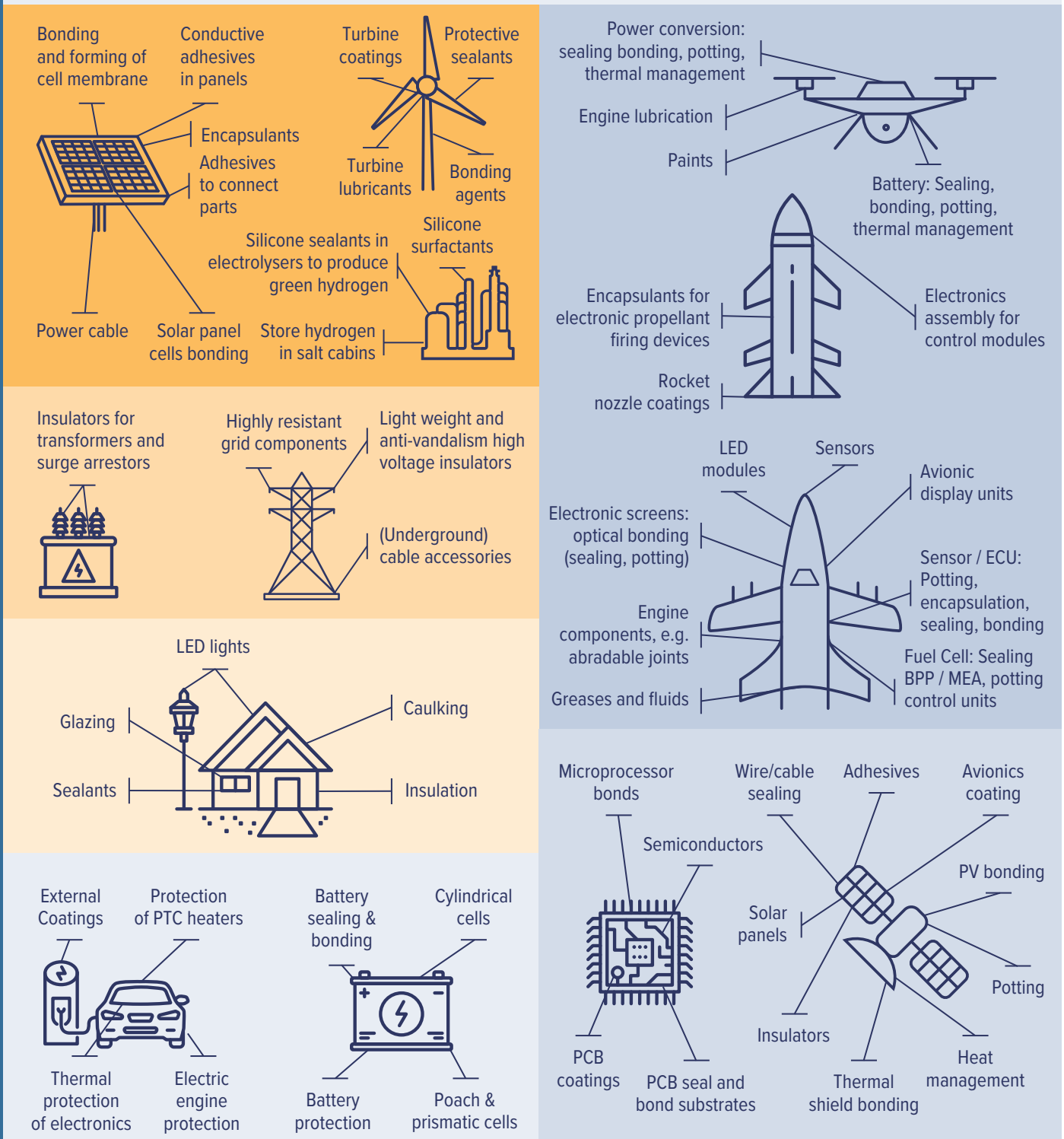


A POP NOMINATION THREATENS THE EUROPEAN GREEN DEAL AND STRATEGIC AUTONOMY

Silicone polymers provide solutions that are crucial in the achievement of the EU's strategic objectives. They are a key enabler of the European Green Deal, supporting sustainable mobility, via their applications in batteries and electric vehicles, and the deployment of renewable energy sources, such as wind, solar and hydrogen. Silicones also contribute to the EU's Strategic Autonomy, fostering Europe's industrial competitiveness. They are vital in critical value chains such as those for semiconductors and space and defence technologies, such as satellites, drones, airplanes. Unconstrained transport of silicone monomers (D4, D5 and D6) is key for the production of silicone polymers which enable among others the below highlighted strategic applications.



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