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<b>Abstract</b>	:	<p>A new UV-curable waterborne polyurethane acrylate/alumina (UV-WPUA/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) coatings were successfully developed. The waterborne polyurethane acrylate (WPUA) dispersion was synthesized by reacting jatropha oil polyol (JOL) with isophorone diisocyanate (IPDI), 2,2-dimethylol propionic acid (DMPA), and 2-hydroxyethyl methacrylate (HEMA) via in-situ and anionic selfemulsifying methods. The WPUA/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> dispersion was formulated by various sonicating concentrations of alumina nanoparticles (0.3, 0.6, 0.9, and 1.2 wt%) into WPUA dispersion. The UVWPUA/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> coatings were obtained with 75 wt% oligomers, 25 wt% monomer trimethylolpropane triacrylate (TMPTA), and 3 wt% of a commercial photoinitiator (benzophenol) for UV-curing were used. The effect of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> nanoparticles on WPUA coatings was analyzed by FTIR, surface morphology, and coating performance properties such as pendulum hardness, pencil hardness, scratch resistance, and adhesion test. FTIR revealed the formation of JOL, neat UV-WPUA, and UV-WPUA/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> coatings, respectively. FESEM/EDX demonstrated that Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> nanoparticles at the lower loading (up to 0.6 wt%) were well-dispersed correlated with contact angle (CA). The hardness property can reach 63.4% at the lower concentration of the Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> addition 0.6 wt%. The adhesive strength, scratch hardness, and scratch resistance were greatly improved to 5B, 5H, and 2N, respectively...see more.</p>