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Brenntag and Evonik expand cooperation in Europe

With immediate effect Evonik Industries, headquartered in Essen, (Germany), announces the extension of its current cooperation with Brenntag, based in Mülheim an der Ruhr (Germany) for the distribution of the product group VESTAMID® HT*plus* (PPA). The sales region covers Europe except for Italy, Austria and Scandinavia.

VESTAMID® HT*plus* belongs to the Polyphthalamid-Polymere (PPA) family and combines temperature resistance, excellence chemical resistance and outstanding mechanical characteristics with the flexibility of various process technologies like injection moulding, extrusion, K&K-process as well as fibre production. Because of these excellent qualities VESTAMID® HT*plus* is used in the automotive market, the electrical Industry as well as in the sector of industrial engineering and household. The latest product development is a biobased PA10T, which consists of 50% of renewable raw materials.

Since October 1, 2009 Brenntag distributes the product groups VESTAMID®, TROGAMID®, VESTODUR® and VESTAMELT® for Evonik. Brenntag has been partner of Evonik for many years for the distribution of PLEXIGLAS® moulding material and for compounding of small scales of PLEXIGLAS® in Germany and Eastern Europe.

About Brenntag worldwide

Brenntag is the global market leader in full-line chemical distribution. Linking chemical manufacturers and chemical users, Brenntag provides business-to-business distribution solutions for industrial and specialty chemicals globally. With over 10,000 products and a vast supplier base, Brenntag offers one-stop shop solutions to more than 150,000 customers. The value-added services include just-in-time delivery, product mixing, formulation, repackaging, inventory management, drum return handling as well as technical services.

Headquartered in Mülheim an der Ruhr, Germany, Brenntag operates a global network with more than 400 locations in more than 60 countries. In 2009 the company realized global sales of EUR 6.4 billion (USD 8.9 billion) with approximately 11,000 people.

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About Evonik

Evonik Industries is the creative industrial group from Germany. In our core business of specialty chemicals, we are a global leader. In addition, Evonik is an expert in power generation from hard coal and renewable energies, and one of the largest private residential real estate companies in Germany. Our company's performance is shaped by creativity, specialization, continuous self-renewal, and reliability.

Evonik is active in over 100 countries around the world. In its fiscal year 2009 about 39,000 employees generated sales of about EUR 13.1 billion and an operating profit (EBITDA) of about EUR 2.0 billion.