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Brenntag expands cooperation with Lanxess Rubber Chemicals

Brenntag has been appointed as distributor for Lanxess rubber chemicals on the Iberian Peninsula as of March 1, 2011, and in France as of April 1, 2011. This expansion of the cooperation between the specialty chemicals manufacturer Lanxess and Brenntag adds France, Spain and Portugal to the group of countries including Italy, Benelux and Scandinavia where Brenntag is active for Lanxess.

In addition to polymers, the product portfolio of the national subsidiaries now also features innovative high-tech specialty chemicals for rubber and latex, including well-known brands such as Vulkanox®, Vulkacit®, Vulkalent®, Vulkasil®, Cohedur®, Perkalink 900® and Vulcuren®. These chemicals are used for example in the production of tires, shoes, household appliances and in the automotive industry.

This new distribution agreement is another important step of Brenntag to become the leading distributor for rubber specialties in Europe.

About Brenntag

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 world-class supplier base, Brenntag offers one-stop-shop solutions to about 160,000 customers. The value-added services include just-in-time delivery, product mixing, formulation, repackaging, inventory management, drum return handling as well as extensive technical support. Headquartered in Mülheim/Ruhr, Germany, the company operates a global network with more than 400 locations in nearly 70 countries. In 2010 the company realized global sales of EUR 7.6 billion (USD 10.1 billion) with more than 12,000 employees.

About Lanxess

LANXESS is a leading specialty chemicals company with 14,850 employees in 24 countries and sales of EUR 7.1 billion in 2010. The company operates
45 production sites worldwide. Its core business comprises the development, manufacture and sale of plastics, rubber, specialty chemicals and intermediates.