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Brenntag Schweizerhall AG and Evonik announce a new distribution agreement

Brenntag Schweizerhall AG is pleased to announce that from 1st April 2012, it distributes the full range of products from Evonik Household Care in Switzerland.

"This is an exciting complimentary addition to our product portfolio", comments Dr. Thomas Heinrich, European Marketing Manager Cleaning & Water Treatment at Brenntag. "The opportunity to cover the market with amphoteric and quaternary surfactants, as well as with silicon emulsions from a market leader will further strengthen the leading position of Brenntag in the Household, Industrial & Institutional (HI&I) cleaning market in Switzerland".

"The company Brenntag AG is already a partner of Evonik in a number of markets worldwide. The Household Care business line looks forward to a successful cooperation with Brenntag Schweizerhall AG," says Andrea Simon, Vice President Household Care Europe at Evonik.

The agreement covers the full product portfolio of the business line "Household Care" from Evonik's business unit "Consumer Specialties", which is a global leader in the manufacture and supply of raw materials and additives to the household, detergent, car care and industrial & institutional markets.

Products included within the aforementioned industries are: Rewocare®, Rewocid®, Rewocoros®, Rewomid®, Rewominox®, Rewopal®, Rewopol®, Rewoquat®, Rewoteric®, Tego®Antifoam, Tego®Betain, Tego®Polish, Tego®Sorb, Tegopren®, Tegosoft®, Tegotens® and Tegotop®.

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 more than 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 an der Ruhr, Germany, the company operates a global network with more than 400 locations in 68 countries. In

2011 the company realized global sales of EUR 8.7 billion (USD 12.1 billion) with nearly 13,000 employees.

About Evonik

Evonik, the creative industrial group from Germany, is one of the world leaders in specialty chemicals. Its activities focus on the key megatrends health, nutrition, resource efficiency and globalization. Profitable growth and a sustained increase in the value of the company form the heart of Evonik's corporate strategy. Evonik benefits specifically from its innovative prowess and integrated technology platforms.

Evonik is active in over 100 countries around the world. In fiscal 2011 more than 33,000 employees generated sales of around €14.5 billion and an operating profit (EBITDA) of about €2.8 billion.

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