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WACKER FINALIZES ACQUISITION OF SILICON-METAL PRODUCTION SITE IN NORWAY

- ♦ ANTITRUST AUTHORITIES CLEAR TAKEOVER OF HOLLA SILICON SITE

Munich, July 1, 2010 – Wacker Chemie AG has successfully concluded its acquisition of the silicon-metal production site in Holla from FESIL Group (Norway). The transaction announced early last month has now been cleared by the relevant antitrust authorities and approved by WACKER's and FESIL's supervisory bodies. Under the terms of the transaction, WACKER takes over for a purchase price of around €65 million all of FESIL's production facilities in Holla, including the related real estate. The strategic acquisition is a key step in securing WACKER's long-term supply of silicon metal. Acquiring Holla makes the Munich-based chemical company more independent of raw-material price fluctuations and increases its supply security during peak-demand periods.

Silicon metal is one of WACKER's most important raw materials and is needed for the production of silicones and hyperpure polysilicon. Holla Metall's production capacity is around 50,000 metric tons of silicon metal per year, which corresponds to about one third of WACKER's current annual needs.

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The company in brief:

WACKER is a globally-active chemical company with some 15,600 employees and annual sales of around €3.7 billion (2009). WACKER has 26 production sites and over 100 sales offices worldwide.

WACKER SILICONES

Silicone fluids, emulsions, rubber and resins; silanes; pyrogenic silicas; thermoplastic silicone elastomers

WACKER POLYMERS

Polyvinyl acetate and vinyl acetate copolymers in the form of dispersible polymer powders, dispersions and solid resins used as binders for construction chemicals, coatings, adhesives, paints, plasters and nonwovens

WACKER BIOSOLUTIONS

Biotech products such as cyclodextrins, cysteine and biologics, as well as fine chemicals and PVAc solid resins

WACKER POLYSILICON

Polysilicon for the semiconductor and photovoltaics industries

Siltronic

Hyperpure silicon wafers and monocrystals for semiconductor devices