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WACKER and Jointec to Host Silicone Seminar for Suppliers of the Electrical, Electronics and Automotive Industries

Munich, July 28, 2009 – WACKER, the Munich-based chemical company, is organizing a one-day customer seminar in collaboration with Jointec s.r.l., its Italian distribution partner for silicone elastomers. Taking place on September 24 in Cernobbio, Italy, the seminar focuses on silicone applications in the electrical, electronics and automotive industries. It is aimed at both manufacturers and their suppliers.

The event centers on the diverse properties and processing benefits of silicone elastomers. We will present rapid-curing sealants, adhesives, coating materials and encapsulants that permit extremely short cycle times, increasing the efficiency of production processes. Alongside its heat-curing, one-part silicones and condensation-curing products, WACKER will also showcase its SEMICOSIL[®] UV line of novel UV-curing silicones.

“In times of rising energy and raw-material prices, suppliers must face increasing cost pressure. As a result, realizing efficiency potential is becoming ever more important – it’s a key competitive advantage,” says Dr. Bernd Pachaly, head of the Elastomers business unit, as he explains what this customer event is all about. “We want to show processors that our high-performance silicones not only contribute to the development of innovative products, but also enable the design of

faster, more efficient and thus more cost-effective production processes.”

Participation in the customer seminar is free of charge. If you are interested, please register with Enrica Bertolazzi (Email: Enrica.Bertolazzi@wacker.com), Wacker Chemie Italia S.r.l., phone: +39-02-51752-417, by September 15. The number of places is limited.

WACKER

WACKER (www.wacker.com) is a globally active chemical company headquartered in Munich, Germany. With a wide range of state-of-the-art specialty products, WACKER is a leader in numerous industrial sectors. Its products are required in countless high-growth end-user sectors such as photovoltaics, electronics, pharmaceuticals and household/personal-care products. In 2008, WACKER generated sales of some €4.30 billion with almost 16,000 employees.

WACKER SILICONES

WACKER SILICONES is a world-leading silicone manufacturer with over 3,000 highly specialized and innovative products. The division's portfolio ranges from silicone fluids, emulsions, resins, elastomers and sealants to silanes and pyrogenic silicas. These products stand out due to their significant value-adding potential – enhancing both the benefits and performance of customers' end products. Products from WACKER SILICONES find application in such sectors as construction, chemicals, cosmetics, textiles, automotive, paper and electronics.

Jointec s.r.l.

Founded in 1997, Jointec s.r.l. (www.jointec.it), located in Milan, distributes thermosetting systems based on epoxy, polyurethane and silicon resins manufactured by leading producers. The company serves customers in various industrial sectors, most important of which are the electrical engineering, electronics, moldmaking, prototyping, technical articles, coatings, adhesives, cork agglomeration, pad printing and filters markets.

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The company in brief:

WACKER is a globally active chemical company with some 15,900 employees and annual sales of around €4.3 billion (2008).
WACKER has 27 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 FINE CHEMICALS

Fine chemicals, biologics and other biotech products such as cyclodextrins and cysteine

WACKER POLYSILICON

Polysilicon for the semiconductor and photovoltaics industries; solar wafers

Siltronic

Hyperpure silicon wafers and monocrystals for semiconductor devices