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## WACKER Appoints New Distributor for VINNAPAS<sup>®</sup> and VINNOL<sup>®</sup> Dispersions

Munich, October 1, 2009 – WACKER, the Munich-based chemical company, is restructuring its distribution network for VINNAPAS<sup>®</sup> and VINNOL<sup>®</sup> brand polymer dispersions. As part of a constant sales channel improvement, the IMCD Group – a Dutch chemicals distributor and already a WACKER partner – is to be entrusted with the distribution of WACKER's polymer dispersions in the UK and Ireland. Effective October 1, 2009, IMCD UK Ltd. replaces previous distribution partner Grolman Ltd. Furthermore, dispersions business will be transferred from WACKER's previous partner Biesterfeld to IMCD in the Baltics as well as in Belarus, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Germany, Poland, Russia, Slovenia, Turkey and Ukraine, effective October 1, 2009. In addition, IMCD will also distribute WACKER's polymer dispersions in Austria from October 2009.

IMCD distributes selected WACKER products in most West European and a few East European countries. VINNAPAS<sup>®</sup> and VINNOL<sup>®</sup> dispersions are chiefly used as binders in the construction chemicals, adhesives, nonwovens, paints and coatings, paper, carpets and textiles industries.

### **VINNAPAS<sup>®</sup> and VINNOL<sup>®</sup> Dispersions**

WACKER is a world-leading manufacturer of vinyl acetate/ethylene and vinyl chloride copolymers, marketed worldwide as VINNAPAS<sup>®</sup>

and VINNOL<sup>®</sup>. These thermoplastic, plasticizer-free polymers are used in a multitude of different industries: their uses include adhesives, nonwovens, paints and coatings, paper, construction materials, carpets and textiles. WACKER has dispersions production sites in Germany, China, Korea and the USA, as well as a global sales network and technical centers in all key regions.

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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