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WACKER Boosts Supply for Surface Coating Resins

Munich, February 3, 2010 – WACKER, the Munich-based chemical company, is boosting delivery capacity for VINNOL[®] surface coating resins. Starting Q1 2011, the amount of VINNOL[®] H 15 available for delivery will rise substantially. Recent developments have led to the consolidation of the binder-market and a scarcity of copolymeric vinyl-chloride binders. By increasing product availability, WACKER is playing a key role in ensuring the availability of raw-materials and meeting its responsibilities as a market leader in packaging coatings.

VINNOL[®] surface coating resins are vinyl-chloride/vinyl-acetate copolymers and terpolymers, available in a number of different molar compositions and polymerization degrees. The product portfolio includes grades without functional groups as well as grades with carboxyl or hydroxyl groups. VINNOL[®] surface coating resins are used mainly as binders for printing inks, adhesives, and industrial and packaging coatings.

About WACKER POLYMERS

WACKER POLYMERS is a leading producer of state-of-the-art binders and polymer additives in the form of dispersible polymer powders and dispersions, polyvinyl acetates, surface coating resins and polyvinyl alcohol solutions. These products are used by companies in the construction, automotive, paper and adhesives

sectors, as well as by manufacturers of printing inks and surface coatings. WACKER POLYMERS has production sites in Germany, China and the USA, as well as a global sales network and technical centers in all major 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, PVAc solid resins, biologics and other biotech products such as cyclodextrins and cysteine

WACKER POLYSILICON

Polysilicon for the semiconductor and photovoltaics industries

Siltronic

Hyperpure silicon wafers and monocrystals for semiconductor devices