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WACKER POLYMERS to Raise Prices for Dispersions and Solid Resins in Europe, the Middle East and in Africa

Munich, January 7, 2021 – WACKER POLYMERS is to raise prices for vinyl acetate dispersions of the VINNAPAS® and VINNOL® brands, polyvinyl alcohol solutions – brand name POLYVIOL® – and VINNAPAS® solid resins in Europe, the Middle East and in Africa. Effective February 1, 2021, prices for dispersions will be raised by up to 80 euros per metric tons, prices for polyvinyl alcohol solutions and solid resins up to 100 euros per metric tons, or as customer contracts allow. This measure has been necessitated by the increase in raw material market costs.

The price adjustment enables WACKER POLYMERS to continue providing customers with high product quality, technological innovations, best-in-class customer service and technical support, along with supporting investment to secure the capability for future growth across focus markets.

Dispersions of the VINNAPAS® and VINNOL® brand are applied in a broad variety of industries, ranging from adhesives, caulks, non-wovens, paints and coatings to paper, carpet and textiles.



VINNAPAS® solid resins are used as binders or additives in composites, adhesives, coatings, sound-damping sheets and other

applications. POLYVIOL® polyvinyl alcohol solutions are used as additives in paper coatings.

WACKER POLYMERS

WACKER POLYMERS is a leading producer of state-of-the-art binders and polymeric additives based on polyvinyl acetate and vinyl acetate copolymers and terpolymers. These take the form of dispersible polymer powders, dispersions, solid resins, and solutions. They are used in construction chemicals, paints and surface coatings, adhesives, sealants, carpet applications and nonwovens, as well as in fiber composites and polymeric materials based on renewable resources. WACKER POLYMERS operates production sites in Germany, China, South Korea and USA. The business division also maintains a global sales organisation and runs technical centers in all key regions.

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The company in brief:

WACKER is a globally-active chemical company with some 14,700 employees and annual sales of around €4.93 billion (2019). WACKER has a global network of 24 production sites, 23 technical competence centers and 51 sales offices.

WACKER SILICONES

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

WACKER POLYMERS

Polyvinyl acetates and vinyl acetate copolymers and terpolymers in the form of dispersible polymer powders, dispersions, solid resins and solutions

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 photovoltaic industries