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## WACKER Increases Surcharge for Dispersible Polymer Powder

**Munich, June 21, 2021 – Due to rising raw material and logistics costs, WACKER intends to raise its temporary surcharge on VINNAPAS® dispersible polymer powder which has been effective since May this year. The surcharge will now be 510 EUR instead of formerly 400 EUR per metric ton. It will be applied for all orders shipped as of July and August. The measure is temporary and ensures a fair and reliable supply of products until the situation normalizes. The price adjustment enables the Group's WACKER POLYMERS business division 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.**

VINNAPAS® dispersions and dispersible polymer powders are applied in a broad variety of industries, ranging from construction, adhesives, caulks, nonwovens, paints and coatings to paper, carpet and textiles. Polymer powders are produced by spray-drying polymer dispersions. In contact with water, the dispersible polymer powder grains disintegrate and release the individual dispersion particles again. VINNAPAS® dispersible powders enhance adhesion, flexibility, hydrophobicity, low temperature film forming and other key properties of cementitious construction materials. Main application

areas include cementitious tile adhesives and grouts, skimcoats, concrete modification and sealing slurries.

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.



VINNAPAS® dispersible polymer powder. It enhances key properties of cementitious construction materials such as tile adhesives and grouts, skimcoats, concrete and sealing slurries. (photo: WACKER)

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**The company in brief:**

WACKER is a globally active chemical company with some 14,300 employees and annual sales of around €4.69 billion (2020). WACKER has a global network of 26 production sites, 23 technical competence centers and 52 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