News Release

BASF completes optimization project at Cimanggis site in Indonesia

- Increases capacity for surfactants for Personal Care and Home Care applications
- European Federation for Cosmetic Ingredients accreditation ensures world class quality standards for products, processes and services

Jakarta, Indonesia – November 18, 2015 – BASF has completed a surfactant capacity expansion project at its Cimanggis site in Indonesia. The enhancement in supply will allow BASF to better serve the home and personal care industries' demand in emerging markets.

Additionally, the optimization in infrastructure, processes and services allows BASF to offer customers a constant and reliable supply of products that meet the requirements of the European Federation for Cosmetic Ingredients (EFfCI) guide for Good Manufacturing Practices.

"We have seen robust growth in demand for personal care and home care products in emerging markets in the region. With EFfCI certification, Cimanggis now operates at a world-class standard to meet this demand," said Srikanth Vaduvur, Vice President, Regional Marketing Management, Care Chemicals Asia Pacific, BASF.

"By investing in the development of our production base in Cimanggis, we can ensure reliable supply of world-class, quality products to meet the growing demands of customers in Indonesia and the ASEAN markets," said CP Chan, President Director, BASF Indonesia. November 18, 2015 Nikki Lei Phone: +852 2731 7023 Nikki.lei@basf.com

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P.T. BASF Indonesia DBS Bank Tower, 27th Floor, Ciputra World 1 Jakarta, Jl. Prof. Dr. Satrio Kav 3-5, Jakarta 12940, Indonesia BASF's Care Chemicals division is enhancing the standards at all its production sites worldwide. The EFfCI certification at the Cimanggis site, along with the continued development of BASF's Care Chemicals sites in Asia, demonstrates BASF's commitment to supplying high quality products to the cosmetics industry in Asia.

With the completion of optimization project, Cimmanggis site has newly received Halal certification, which qualified BASF to produce ingredients that are in line with Halal requirements and devoid of contact with any impurity defined by Muslims religious requirement. This helps BASF to better address the needs of customers in Personal & Home Care Industry, which targets the diverse Asian population.

About BASF's Care Chemicals division

The BASF division Care Chemicals Offers a broad range of ingredients for hygiene, personal care, home care, industrial and institutional cleaning, and technical applications. We are the leading global supplier for the cosmetics industry as well as the detergents and cleaners industry and support our customers with innovative and sustainable products, solutions and concepts. The division's high-performance product portfolio includes surfactants, emulsifiers, polymers, emollients, chelating agents, cosmetic active ingredients, pigments and UV filters. Superabsorbent polymers developed for the full spectrum of hygiene applications complete the range. We have production and development sites in all regions and are expanding our presence in emerging markets. Further information is available on the Internet at www.care-chemicals.basf.com

About BASF

At BASF, we create chemistry – and have been doing so for 150 years. Our portfolio ranges from chemicals, plastics, performance products and crop protection products to oil and gas. As the world's leading chemical company, we combine economic success with environmental protection and social responsibility. Through science and innovation, we enable our customers in nearly every industry to meet the current and future needs of society. Our products and solutions contribute to conserving resources, ensuring nutrition and improving quality of life. We have summed up this contribution in our corporate purpose: We create chemistry for a sustainable future. BASF had sales of over Euro74 billion in 2014 and around 113,000 employees as of the end of the year. BASF shares are traded on the stock exchanges in Frankfurt (BAS), London (BFA) and Zurich (AN). Further information on BASF is available on the Internet at www.basf.com.