BASF to boost production capacity for its LIX® product range

- Investment at Cork site, Ireland
- Production to start by end of 1Q, 2015
- BASF further strengthens leadership position in Solvent Extraction Market

Ludwigshafen, Germany and Cork, Ireland – September 12 – BASF will expand the manufacturing plant for its LIX® product range at its Cork site, Ireland. An investment is underway with production scheduled by end of 1Q, 2015.

The LIX® product range of Solvent Extractants is used for hydrometallurgical extraction of copper from oxide ores. BASF has a broad range of reagents and provides optimized solutions, particularly for mines experiencing difficult operating conditions.

“With the enlarged capacity, we are able to reliably supply to the steadily increasing demand for our LIX® reagents. This is an example of our approach to offer our customers the best possible combination of high quality products and competent on-site service. We are expanding our capacity to support our customers in their growth and accompany them as a reliable supplier into the future, too” said François Desné, Senior Vice President, Global Business Unit Water, Oilfield and Mining Solutions.
Recently the Regional Business Management Mining Solutions has established new technical laboratories in Johannesburg, South Africa, Shanghai, China and Moscow, Russia to be closer to the customers and enhance technical service.

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 about €74 billion in 2013 and over 112,000 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.

About BASF Water, Oilfield and Mining Solutions

BASF offers a wide range of solutions and products for the water, oilfield and mining industry. The product range of Global Water Solutions includes products used in the key processes of industrial and municipal water treatment. The business is a leading supplier of products to clarify the raw water used for the production of drinking water, to treat the waste water stream and industrial process water, to protect desalination plants, cooling towers and boilers. We are the leading provider of inge® ultrafiltration membrane technology. Within our Global Oilfield Solutions business, we help the oilfield service industry make efficient formulations. Our portfolio comprises products for the drilling and completion of oil wells as well as chemicals for continuous and cost efficient production of valuable oil and gas resources. We develop next generation of surfactants and polymers designed to support enhanced oil recovery (EOR) operations by means of chemical injection. Mining Solutions offer an extensive range of mineral processing reagents. Our strengths are in solid/liquid separation and solvent extraction; we also offer reagents for flotation, dispersing, agglomerating and others. Further information can be found at:
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