

Press release

## **Solvay and Aquatic Concept Group AS signed a joint global collaboration and development agreement for aquaculture operations**

**Brussels, 8 February 2017** – *Solvay, a leading global supplier of Peroxides, and Aquatic Concept Group (ACG) have today signed a global joint agreement to work together in pursuit of sustainable growth in their worldwide aquaculture operations.*

Following several years of tight collaboration in the distribution of peroxide products on different local markets, Solvay and ACG decided to strengthen their relationship and to extend it globally.

The agreement covers three areas: safety, market development and business strategy. In each of these areas Solvay and ACG commit to work together for a constant improvement as well as the development of new innovative concepts, including a technology platform for the Aquaculture industry.

“ACG is not only our commercial arm in the aquaculture industry” said Georges Crauser, President of Solvay Peroxides Global Business Unit, “they are a true technology partner for us. We are excited about working more closely with ACG on a global basis, in particular to manage joint R&D and development of environmentally friendly pathogen treatment concepts for the aquaculture market.”

“This relationship”, - added Elvin Bugge, CEO of ACG - “goes beyond aquaculture and into management of food safety and biosecurity in the global processing sector. Solvay and ACG are both situated in key sites around the world, starting in the salmon market but increasingly supplying innovative and sustainable treatment solutions around peroxygens to manage parasites and pathogens for other species as well.”

The agreement takes effect from today.



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**SOLVAY PEROXIDES** Global Business Unit is a worldwide market and technology leader in Hydrogen Peroxide. Providing functional qualities such as bleaching, oxidation or disinfection, it delivers innovative products and tailored services to the pulp, chemicals, aquaculture, food, mining, waste water treatment, home care and textile industries. SOLVAY PEROXIDES operates 17 plants in North and South America, Europe & Middle East, Asia and Australia. It runs the world's biggest Hydrogen Peroxide plant in Map Ta Phut (Thailand). With its JV partner Peróxidos do Brasil, Solvay Peroxides is developing a new plant concept, myH<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>®, especially designed for installation at customer sites in remote locations. Innovation capacity and agility are two of GBU Peroxides' strengths.

As an international chemical group, **SOLVAY** assists industries in finding and implementing ever more responsible and value-creating solutions. Solvay generates 90% of its net sales in activities where it is among the world's top three players. It serves many markets, varying from energy and the environment to automotive and aeronautics or electricity and electronics, with one goal: to raise the performance of its clients and improve society's quality of life. The group is headquartered in Brussels, employs about 30,900 people in 53 countries and generated 12.4 billion Euros in net sales in 2015. Solvay SA (**SOLB.BE**) is listed on **EURONEXT** Brussels and **EURONEXT** Paris (Bloomberg: **SOLB.BB** - Reuters: **SOLB.BR**).

**AQUATIC CONCEPT GROUP**'s focus is on supplying solutions to Fish Welfare and Safety in Food Processing. We have an experienced team of dedicated specialists with a high degree of knowledge and skills in the management of fish health, biosecurity and hygiene in processing operations.

In cooperation with our customers, we provide Turn-Key Solutions and Consultancy Support to ensure they are positioned as leaders within their industry.

ACG Group is established in Norway, Denmark, Scotland, Ireland, Croatia, Canada, US, Chile and Australia.

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