

## Solvay signs exclusive global license agreement with Revolymer to bolster performance of organic peroxide Eureco™

Brussels, March 2nd, 2015 – Solvay announces it has signed a global license agreement with British polymer technology company Revolymer to exclusively apply its encapsulation technology to boost the performance of Solvay's organic peroxide Eureco<sup>TM</sup> used in detergents and other applications.

Solvay's Eureco<sup>TM</sup> is based on 6-phthalimido-peroxyhexanoic acid (PAP), and is already well-known by the consumer and professional markets for its effectiveness in removing stubborn stains, bleaching in compact product formulations, getting rid of malodour and in killing germs, bacteria and fungi on both textiles and hard surfaces.

The first product to benefit from Revolymer's innovative technology will be Eureco<sup>TM</sup> RP103, which does not contain the toxic boric acid and is an upgraded version of Solvay's Eureco<sup>TM</sup> granules. Thanks to its strength and effectiveness Eureco<sup>TM</sup> RP103 can be used in minor quantities, contributing to the overall compactness of products.

"Manufacturers of consumer dose capsules for laundry and dishwashing machines will find that using the compact Eureco<sup>TM</sup> RP103 in their products offers tremendous additional benefits, such as low temperature washings which save energy without the need for any further activators," said Roberto Garaffa, Global Commercial Manager at Solvay's Global Business Unit Peroxides.

Apart from laundry detergents and dishwasher machine tablets, this exclusive global license agreement also addresses veterinary, pharmaceutical or health care applications.

Eureco<sup>™</sup> RP103 will be commercialized by Solvay's GBU Peroxides from 2015 onwards.

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 and is developing in parallel a new small satellite plant concept, myH2O2, especially designed to serve the sites of for customers in remote areas designed for installation at customer's sites. Innovation capacity and agility are two of GBU Peroxides' strengths.

As an international chemical group, <u>SOLVAY</u> 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 head-quartered in Brussels, employs about 26,000 people in 52 countries and generated 10.2 billion euros in net sales in 2014. Solvay SA (SOLB.BE) is listed on EURONEXT Brussels and EURONEXT Paris (Bloomberg: SOLB:BB - Reuters: SOLB.BR).

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