

Solvay Novecare launches FeSOLV scale control technology to treat iron sulfide solids in oil & gas operations

Cranbury, NJ Dec. 2nd, 2015 – Solvay's global business unit Novecare launched today FeSOLV, a new product line to its Bricorr® corrosion and scale control family that treats iron sulfide solids generated in fracking and production systems. These chemical solids and particulates contribute to equipment corrosion and degrade the quality of water used in oilfield operations.

The FeSOLV range of enhanced THPS*-based formulations are specifically designed for the prevention and mitigation of both adherent and particulate iron sulfide. With FeSOLV, Solvay Novecare now has a complete offering to deal with solids in stimulation and production activities. The new line delivers enhanced dissolution of all forms of iron sulfide solids, improving flow, well productivity and the quality of produced water.

"The new FeSOLV formulations raise the bar in efficacy compared to traditional iron sulfide control technologies, offering our customers a more cost-effective treatment with greater options and formulation flexibility," explained Chris Jones, Global Business Development Director for Microbial Solutions, Solvay Novecare. "FeSOLV complements our industry-leading Tolcide® family of biocides that treat stringently-regulated bacterial solids and particulates in the US, Canadian and EU markets."

The new line will be marketed for the control of non-biogenically induced iron sulfide and available globally with the exception of the European Union where iron sulfide control is covered by the Union's Biocidal Product regulations.

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Solvay Novecare is a worldwide leader in specialty surfactants and a major player in polymers, amines, guar, and phosphorus derivatives. Solvay Novecare engineers and develops formulations that provide consumer products and state-of-the-art industrial applications with specific functional qualities designed to modify fluid behavior and deliver cleansing, dispersal, gelling, moisturizing, penetrating, softening or texturizing properties. These formulations are used in shampoos, detergents, paints and lubricants as well as in crop protection, mining and energy production and stimulation. Novecare, which boasts a worldwide network of 36 manufacturing sites and nine R&D centers, has become the preferred partner of its customers in rapidly growing economies and leverages an innovation platform based on sustainable solutions.

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 29,400 people in 56 countries and generated 9.9 billion euros in net sales in 2013. Solvay SA (**SOLB.BE**) is listed on EURONEXT Brussels and EURONEXT Paris (Bloomberg: **SOLB.BB**) - Reuters: **SOLB.BR**).

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