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ARKEMA APPOINTS MEGAFARMA, AN AZELIS COMPANY, DISTRIBUTOR FOR ORGASOL® AND RILSAN® D POLYAMIDE POWDER COATING ADDITIVES IN MEXICO

Arkema Inc., a manufacturer of specialty polyamide coating additives, has appointed Megafarma, the Mexican affiliate of Azelis Americas, LLC as its exclusive distributor for coating applications in Mexico, effective Jan. 1, 2022.

The Orgasol® and Rilsan® D polyamide products are high performance coating additives designed for liquid and UV coatings. Based on Arkema’s specialty polyamide chemistries and proprietary processing, these additives improve multiple performance aspects of coating formulations such as abrasion, stain and chemical resistance while also providing gloss control and texture. These advanced materials are utilized extensively across a wide range of high performance market segments including coil, wood, flooring, automotive, electronics and transfer paper. The Orgasol® product line includes polyamide 6, polyamide 12 and polyamide 612 powders and are designed with an exceptionally narrow particle size distribution. The range of polyamide 11 powders is marketed under the Rilsan® trademark, a completely bio-circular polymer derived from renewable and sustainable castor oil.

“Since 2016, the Azelis team has done a terrific job promoting these products in Canada,” said Steve Serpe, North American market manager at Arkema Inc. “The technical and commercial expertise of the Megafarma team ideally positions them to penetrate the high performance coatings industry in Mexico.”

“With the addition of Arkema’s Orgasol® and Rilsan® polyamide product lines, Azelis strengthens its presence in the coatings market in Mexico while reinforcing our strategic goal of being a leader of innovative solutions for specialty chemicals distribution,” said Eduardo Salinas, managing director, Azelis LATAM. “In conjunction with partnering with Arkema, we will continue to leverage our application expertise from our Innovation Center in Mexico City; allowing Azelis to provide unparalleled technical service to our valued customers.”

Arkema recently commissioned a new production line for Orgasol® polyamide powders at the Mont plant in France, increasing its global capacity by over 50 percent to support the increased market demand for these materials in fast-growing industrial applications.

For more information about the Orgasol® and Rilsan® D polyamide products, please visit www.orgasolpowders.com and www.rilsanfinepowders.com. Orgasol® and Rilsan® are registered trademarks of Arkema.

Building on its unique set of expertise in materials science, **Arkema** offers a portfolio of first-class technologies to address ever-growing demand for new and sustainable materials. With the ambition to become in 2024 a pure player in Specialty Materials, the Group is structured into 3 complementary, resilient and highly innovative segments dedicated to Specialty Materials -Adhesive solutions, Advanced Materials, and Coating Solutions- accounting for some 82% of Group sales in 2020, and a well-positioned and competitive Intermediates segment. Arkema offers cutting-edge technological solutions to meet the challenges of, among other things, new energies, access to water, recycling, urbanization and mobility, and fosters a permanent dialogue with all its stakeholders. The Group reported sales of around €8 billion (\$9 billion USD) in 2020, and operates in some 55 countries with 20,600 employees worldwide.

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