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Omya to consolidate Calcium Carbonate production capacity for Paper & Board applications in Europe.

Oftringen, Switzerland - May 24, 2023 - Omya, the global producer of industrial minerals and distributor of specialty chemicals, is announcing plans to consolidate its calcium carbonate production capacity in Europe around its strategic assets in order to adjust to current and future customer demand in paper and board applications.

The growth of digital communications has led to a gradual decline in the European graphical paper industry over the last decades. This has significantly reduced the demand for calcium carbonate for paper production. To remain competitive and optimize the use of its assets, Omya is restructuring its production capacity in Europe.

Omya is a well-established player in the paper and board market, offering a broad range of calcium carbonate fillers and coating pigments for graphical paper with grades to improve opacity, enhance brightness and manage bulk.

The company confirmed there will be no operational disruption to customers, guaranteeing the ongoing supply of sufficient quantity of all equivalent carbonate grades across Europe, so its customers can continue to operate with confidence. Omya remains fully committed to serving the paper and board market as a reliable long-term partner, providing the high-quality products its customers expect. The restructure is being planned carefully to rightsize the company's assets in a declining market whilst minimizing the impact on people and communities.

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About Omya

Omya is a leading global producer of industrial minerals – mainly derived from calcium carbonate, dolomite and perlite – and a worldwide distributor of specialty chemicals. The company provides a wealth of innovative product solutions that contribute to its customers' competitiveness and productivity in multiple industries such as Construction, Paper & Board, Polymers, Food and Personal & Home Care. Omya further provides Environmental Solutions targeting the agriculture, water and energy markets. Founded in 1884 in Switzerland, Omya has a global presence extending to more than 160 locations in over 50 countries with 9,000 employees.

Committed to implementing the principles of sustainability at all company levels, Omya provides added value products and services from responsibly sourced materials to meet the essential needs of current and future generations.

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