



## Media Release

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### For immediate release

## Omya acquires Solar Inks Ltd. in Great Britain

**Oftringen, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Omya, a leading global producer of industrial minerals and a worldwide distributor of specialty chemicals, has acquired Solar Inks Ltd., a producer of renewable barrier coatings for food packaging, high-performance adhesives and water-based flexographic inks located in Telford, United Kingdom.**

The acquisition accomplishes another important milestone of the Omya strategy to strengthen its position amongst the top-ranked solution providers serving the fiber-based packaging industry.

Solar Inks Ltd. has a well-known product portfolio and a well-established reputation for innovative solutions in the packaging market, focusing on sustainable, high-quality and renewable ingredients. By leveraging both the Solar Inks and Omya global network, the combined business will be best positioned to serve the needs of customers globally.

Marco Viel, Vice President of the Omya Packaging segment added, “We are very excited to welcome the Solar Inks team into the Omya family. Their product lines “Earth Coatings” , “Earth Adhesives” and “Earth Inks” are a perfect addition to our existing Extomine® portfolio. Together we will offer the market a compelling range of barrier solutions matching growing and diversified demand.”

Jonathan Mack, founder of Solar Inks Ltd., added, “We very much look forward to being part of the Omya Group. We are confident that this transaction will assert our leadership by combining two successful businesses and we will continue to grow on a global scale featuring joint developments for more environmentally friendly packaging solutions.”



## **About Omya**

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Omya is a leading global producer of minerals – mainly derived from calcium carbonate and dolomite – and a worldwide distributor of specialty ingredients. The company provides a wealth of product solutions that contribute to its customers' competitiveness and productivity in multiple industries such as Personal Care, Pharmaceuticals, Food, Home Care, Agriculture and Forestry, Construction, Printing & Writing, Technical Polymers, Packaging, Water and Energy. Founded in 1884 in Switzerland, Omya has a global presence extending to more than 175 locations in over 50 countries with over 8,000 employees. Committed to implementing the principals 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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## **About Solar Inks**

The business was founded in 2004 by Jonathan Mack. Originally upon the provision of inks but developed swiftly into adjacent business applications as adhesives or coatings products with the focus on barrier solutions. The Group's products are produced from renewable materials, considered environmentally friendly, sustainable products.

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