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Omya and Asia Symbol to increase investment in GCC and PCC production in Jiangmen

Oftringen (Switzerland), April 6, 2022. Omya and Asia Symbol International Pte Ltd. today announced a joint investment to manufacture all GCC and PCC requirements for Asia Symbol's uncoated fine paper machines in Jiangmen, Guangdong in the People's Republic of China.

Under the existing partnership, named Asia Symbol (Guangdong) Omya Minerals Co. Ltd, which has been successfully operated for about 10 years, Omya and Asia Symbol International Pte Ltd. agree to extend a new facility for the production of Ground Calcium Carbonate (GCC) and Precipitated Calcium Carbonate (PCC) on the site of Asia Symbol (Guangdong)'s paper mill in the Xinhui district of Jiangmen City in Guangdong province.

The GCC and PCC plant extension is planned to start up in first half of 2022 with an additional production capacity of 150,000 dry metric tons per year. With the existing GCC and PCC production facility already located on the same site, the company will be able to supply 420,000 metric tons best filler combination to Asia Symbol's Guangdong PM11, PM12 & PM13.

GCC and PCC are essential raw materials for paper manufacturing, which can improve key paper properties such as bulk, opacity, whiteness, smoothness, gloss, printability, etc. and reduce the total production cost. Omya secured a competitive bid where Asia Symbol assessed items such as product quality, cost, technical capability and technical service.

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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About Asia Symbol

Asia Symbol International Pte Ltd. leads the pulp and paper business line of Royal Golden Eagle (RGE) Group together with the RGE Group's partner company, Asia Pacific Resources International Limited (APRIL).

Asia Symbol, which was established in The People's Republic of China in 2005, is a world-leading producer of pulp and paper. With operations in Shandong and Guangdong province, Its products are sold in more than 20 countries.

Asia Symbol is committed to sustainable development and manufacturing practices. It combines efficient production with excellent quality and energy saving and operates in harmony with the environment. The company's operations have received numerous honorary recognitions, such as the awards for Excellent Enterprise for Environment Protection, Model Enterprise for Recycling Economy, Outstanding Enterprise in Contribution to Energy Conservation and Best Energy Saving Mill.

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欧米亚与亚太森博共同投资扩大在中国江门的碳酸钙工厂产能

欧夫特林根（瑞士），2022年4月6日，欧米亚与亚太森博国际私人公司宣布了一项共同投资，生产高端重质碳酸钙（GCC）与轻质碳酸钙（PCC）产品，来满足亚太森博在中国广东江门工厂的三台非涂布文化纸机的所有碳酸钙需求。

在目前的合作框架下，亚太森博（广东）欧米亚钙业有限公司已经成功运营了将近十年，现股东双方一致决定进一步扩大在广东江门的重质碳酸钙（GCC）与轻质碳酸钙（PCC）的生产规模。

重质碳酸钙（GCC）与轻质碳酸钙（PCC）扩建项目计划在2022年上半年完成，将合计增加碳酸钙产能15万吨/年。与目前现有的产能一起，完成扩建后，亚太森博（广东）欧米亚钙业有限公司总产能将达到42万吨/年，将可以完全满足亚太森博江门工厂三台高端文化纸机对碳酸钙的所有需求。

重质碳酸钙（GCC）与轻质碳酸钙（PCC）产品是造纸行业重要的生产原料，可以赋予纸张关键性能改善，如松厚度、不透明度、白度、光泽度、平滑度、印刷性能等，并降低纸张生产成本。欧米亚出色的产品品质、研发能力、技术服务和成本管控是赢取客户信任的关键。

关于欧米亚

欧米亚是全球领先的工业矿物生产商-主要生产从碳酸钙、白云石和珍珠岩中提取的填料与颜料，并是全球范围内特种化学品经销商。欧米亚提供丰富的创新产品与解决方案帮助各行业的客户提升生产效率与市场竞争力，公司主要市场为建筑材料、纸和纸板、聚合物、食品与个人护理、环保和农业。公司于1884年成立于瑞士，目前在全球超过50个国家拥有160余家工厂、超过9000名员工。

欧米亚致力于在公司全方位贯彻可持续发展原则，通过负责任采购与创新技术提供增值产品和服务，来满足当前和未来的重要需求。

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亚太森博国际私人有限公司与皇家金鹰集团（RGE）旗下公司亚太资源国际有限公司（APRIL）共同领导皇家金鹰集团的纸浆和纸张业务。

亚太森博于 2005 年在中华人民共和国成立，是世界领先的纸浆和纸张生产商。该公司在山东和广东拥有生产基地，其产品销往 20 多个国家。

亚太森博致力于可持续发展和制造实践。它集高效生产、优质节能于一体，与环境协调运行。公司的经营活动获得了多项荣誉表彰，如环境保护优秀企业奖、循环经济示范企业奖、节能贡献突出企业奖、最佳节能厂奖等。

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