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SurTec Inaugurates New Production Site in Vietnam The Specialist for Surface Technology Strengthens Presence in Southeast Asia

Bensheim, 28.05.2019. SurTec, global specialist for surface technology inaugurated a new production site in Vietnam on May 24, 2019. The site in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, which has been part of the SurTec Group since 2009, now has a state-of-the-art production facility in the south of the metropolis.

The new location was ceremoniously inaugurated with a traditional dragon dance. Representatives of the Freudenberg Group, local partners and customers as well as high-ranking personalities from business and politics participated in the opening.

The manufacturing facility is designed to supply the entire Southeast Asian region with chemical specialities for surface technology in the medium term. With an annual production capacity of up to 5,000 tonnes, the plant is designed for the rapid growth in Vietnam and adjacent markets. "This location is an investment in a market that we believe will grow over-proportionately", says Dr. Karsten Grünke, CEO of the SurTec Group. "The new production site will ensure even better support for our local customers and a significant reduction in delivery times. This puts us in an excellent position for the future in this region", Dr. Grünke continues. In addition to China, Japan and India, Vietnam is now the fourth production site of the SurTec Group in Asia.

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About SurTec

SurTec develops, manufactures and supplies chemical specialities for surface finishing. With its four fields of application - Industrial Parts Cleaning, Metal Pre-treatment, Functional and Decorative Electroplating - SurTec offers a highly comprehensive portfolio in this sector. SurTec is certified according to ISO 9001 (Quality Management). The additional certifications according to OHSAS 18001 and ISO 14001 emphasise the important corporate goals of ecological friendliness and the conservation of resources.

The SurTec Group, based in Bensheim, Germany, has subsidiaries in 22 countries. In addition, it cooperates with partners who represent SurTec in more than 20 countries.

About Freudenberg Chemical Specialities

Freudenberg Chemical Specialities develops, manufactures and markets chemical specialties. To be close to its customers, the company is represented globally in the market with its five brands, Klüber Lubrication, Chem-Trend, OKS, SurTec and Capol. Freudenberg Chemical Specialities is one of the global leading manufacturers of specialty lubricants, release agents, chemotechnical maintenance products, and solutions for surface and galvanic technologies. Headquartered in Munich, Germany, the Business Group runs its own companies in some 40 countries. In 2018, Freudenberg Chemical Specialities employed about 3,600 people and generated sales of more than one billion Euros.

Freudenberg Chemical Specialities is a full subsidiary of Freudenberg & Co. KG, which is headquartered in Weinheim, Germany. Founded in 1849 by Carl Johann Freudenberg, the family-owned company provides customers with technically advanced solutions. In 11 business groups, more than 48,000 employees cultivate a continuous innovation partnership with customers in about 60 countries.

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File 1: Logo of the SurTec Group



File 2: Exterior view of the new production site

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File 3: Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony



File 4: CEO, Dr. Karsten Grünke, during his speech at the opening ceremony

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File 5: Mr. Hanno D. Wentzler, CEO Freudenberg Chemical Specialities, during his speech