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BASF launches two new MasterSeal[®] products in Australia

- MasterSeal[®] CR 435 a high-performance, chemicalresistant joint sealant for use in harsh environments
- MasterSeal[®] NP 430 a general purpose sealant with Modified Silicone (MS) technology

Sydney, Australia – August 31, 2016 – BASF has launched two new sealant products in Australia from its MasterSeal[®] range, which includes waterproofing products, deck membranes and sealants, formulated to stop water leakages and moisture ingression in new and existing structures.

"Wherever two surfaces are joined together, the integrity of a structure is only as good as the sealants used. Formulated with high-performance elastomers, our MasterSeal joint sealants ensure outstanding weatherproofing and protection against the most aggressive conditions," explains Colin Peterson, Market Manager August 31, 2016

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Construction Systems at BASF Australia and New Zealand.

MasterSeal CR 435 is a two-component, chemically curing, hybrid polyurea sealant, recommended for active, exterior and interior joints placed in harsh environments. The sealant's high chemical resistance, puncture and abrasion resistance, moisture insensitivity during curing and UV-resistance make it extremely durable and ideal for heavy traffic areas.

MasterSeal NP 430 is a one-component, moisture curing, highly elastic, modified silicone joint sealant. It is recommended for active, exterior and interior joints that demand extreme UV-resistance and long-term colour integrity. Its modified silicone technology ensures high elasticity and movement capability, as well as adherence to a wide range of surfaces, including concrete, metal, timber, cement, brick and plaster.

"These new sealants demonstrate BASF's ongoing commitment to delivering the best solutions to our customers in the field through the Master Builders Solutions range," Mr Peterson said.

"We leverage global BASF technologies, as well as our in-depth knowledge of local building needs, to develop innovations that help make our customers more successful."

For an explanation on how to prepare and apply these products, please visit the <u>BASF You Tube Channel</u>.

For further information on BASF products for the construction industry, please visit <u>www.master-builders-solutions.basf.com.au</u>

About BASF's Construction Chemicals Division

BASF's Construction Chemicals division offers advanced chemicals solutions for new construction, maintenance, repair and renovation of structures: Our comprehensive portfolio encompasses concrete admixtures, cement additives, chemical solutions for underground construction, waterproofing systems, sealants, concrete repair & protection systems, performance grouts, performance flooring systems, tile fixing systems, expansion control systems and wood protection solutions.

The Construction Chemicals division's about 5,500 employees form a global community of construction experts. To solve our customers' specific construction challenges from conception through to completion of a project, we combine our know-how across areas of expertise and regions and draw on the experience gained in countless construction projects worldwide. We leverage global BASF technologies, as well as our in-depth knowledge of local building needs, to develop innovations that help make our customers more successful and drive sustainable construction.

The division operates production sites and sales centers in more than 50 countries and achieved sales of about €2.3 billion in 2015.

About BASF in Australia and New Zealand

BASF posted sales of about €428 million in Australia and New Zealand in 2015, serving key industries in the agriculture, coatings, construction, manufacturing and mining sectors. As of the end of 2015, the company had 442 employees and operated 11 production sites across the sub-region, manufacturing agricultural solutions, performance products and functional materials & solutions. BASF has been active in Australia for more than 90 years, and for about 60 years in New Zealand. Further information is available on the Internet at www.basf.com/au.

About BASF

At BASF, we create chemistry for a sustainable future. We combine economic success with environmental protection and social responsibility. The approximately 112,000 employees in the BASF Group work on contributing to the success of our customers in nearly all sectors and almost every country in the world. Our portfolio is organized into five segments: Chemicals, Performance Products, Functional Materials & Solutions, Agricultural Solutions and Oil & Gas. BASF generated sales of more than €70 billion in 2015. BASF shares are traded on the stock exchanges in Frankfurt (BAS), London (BFA) and Zurich (AN). Further information at www.basf.com.