

**Brenntag UK & Ireland**

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**Brenntag extends the distribution of Vantage specialty cleaning products into Ireland**

Brenntag, the global market leader in chemical distribution, announces that from January 1st, 2016, it will distribute the specialty cleaning range of Vantage Specialty Chemicals Ltd in Ireland (North & South).

Maura Joliffe, Head of Material Science, Brenntag UK Ltd. says: “We are delighted to be extending our existing distribution agreement with Vantage in Great Britain to cover Northern Ireland, whilst also taking over responsibility for the distribution of products into the Republic of Ireland through our sister company Brenntag Chemicals Distribution (Ireland) Limited. The addition of Vantage’s high performance range of precision cleaning products for metal surface treatment allows us to offer an even stronger portfolio to our customer base across a number of specialty markets including the aerospace, automotive, electronics and medical device sectors.”

Dirk Budde, Regional Sales Manager EMEA, Vantage Specialty Chemicals states, “Our goal is to expand the sales of Vantage brands and increase our footprint throughout Ireland. The partnership with Brenntag UK Ltd and Brenntag Chemicals Distribution (Ireland) Ltd is a proven and reliable basis for growing our international business.”

**About Brenntag:**

Brenntag, the global market leader in chemical distribution, covers all major markets with its extensive product and service portfolio. Headquartered in Mülheim an der Ruhr, Germany, the company operates a global network with more than 490 locations in 72 countries. In 2014, the company, which has a global workforce of more than 13,500, generated sales of EUR 10.0 billion (USD 13.3 billion). Brenntag connects chemical manufacturers and chemical users. The company supports its customers and suppliers with tailor-made distribution solutions for industrial and specialty chemicals. With over 10,000 products and a world-class supplier base, Brenntag offers one-stop-shop solutions to around 170,000 customers. This includes specific application technology, an extensive technical support and value-added services such as just-in-time delivery, product mixing, formulation, repackaging, inventory management and drum

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return handling. Long-standing experience and local excellence in the individual countries characterize the global market leader for chemical distribution.

### **About Vantage Cleaning:**

Vantage is a leading supplier of precision cleaning products to the global electronics, aerospace and precision cleaning markets. Since 1986, Vantage has been developing cleaning agents to replace hazardous substances which pose high safety, health and environmental risk. Vantage is based in Gurnee, IL with representative offices in Europe and Asia, as well as a distribution network covering five continents and over 60 countries. For additional information, please refer to the Vantage website: [www.vantagespecialties.com](http://www.vantagespecialties.com).

### **About Vantage:**

Vantage is a uniquely positioned specialty Chemicals Company focused on naturally derived ingredients serving a diverse and growing set of global end markets including personal care, lubricant, industrial, oil field and food markets. Vantage converts renewable natural raw materials into products that are widely used in a range of specialized applications due to their performance benefits and environmental characteristics. For additional information, please refer to the Vantage website: [www.vantagespecialties.com](http://www.vantagespecialties.com).

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