

Press Release

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Brenntag acquires Monarch Chemicals, expanding the Brenntag Essentials' UK footprint and value-added services

- **Brenntag Essentials has acquired Monarch Chemicals, one of the leading distributors of commodity and agricultural chemicals within the UK with in-house liquid and powder blending facilities**
- **The transaction includes two sites in Southeast England and Scotland, expanding Brenntag's last mile service operation in the UK**

Brenntag, the global market leader in chemicals and ingredients distribution, today announced the acquisition of Monarch Group Holdings Ltd. and its operating subsidiary Monarch Chemicals Ltd. in the United Kingdom.

Russel Argo, Regional President Brenntag Essentials EMEA a.i., comments: "The team at Monarch have built a great product and service offering for their broad customer and supply partner base, and we look forward to growing and expanding that offering together. Brenntag gains expertise, infrastructure, as well as expanded liquid and powder blending capabilities with this transaction. With our acquisition strategy, we expand our last mile service operations to bring a broader portfolio of products and value-added services to customers, supported by our regional supply chain services within our global network. With this extended offering, all our customers in the UK can benefit going forward."

Established in 1989, Monarch offers professional and reliable distribution services for essential chemicals and blends throughout the UK, supplying a wide range of industry sectors and product groups, such as Inorganic Chemicals, Citrates and Glycols. The company operates several sites and blending facilities in the UK. In 2023, the Group reported annual sales of GBP 35.1 million.

"We take great pride in the level of service and support we can offer our supply partners and customers," comments Jon Hill, Managing Director of Monarch. "Our independence made us flexible, but joining Brenntag, a truly global distributor, will give us the scale and network we can use to grow our business and better serve our customers with a wider range of products and services."

Financial details of the deal are not being disclosed. Signing and closing of the transaction occurred simultaneously.

About Brenntag:

Brenntag is the global market leader in chemicals and ingredients distribution. The company holds a central role in connecting customers and suppliers of the chemical industry. Headquartered in Essen, Germany, Brenntag has more than 17,700 employees worldwide and operates a network of about 600 sites in 72 countries. In 2023, Brenntag generated sales of 16.8 billion EUR. The two global divisions, Brenntag Essentials and Brenntag Specialties, provide a diversified and broad portfolio of industrial and specialty chemicals and ingredients as well as tailor-made application, marketing and supply chain solutions, technical and formulation support, comprehensive regulatory know-how, and digital solutions for a wide range of industries. Brenntag pursues an ambitious sustainability agenda and is committed to sustainable solutions in its own sector and the industries served. Brenntag shares have been listed at the Frankfurt Stock Exchange since 2010, in the DAX since September 2021. In addition, the Brenntag SE shares are listed in the DAX 50 ESG and DAX ESG Target. For more information, visit www.brenntag.com.

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