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Henkel awards suppliers for outstanding contributions

Orlando – For the 11th time, at the 2018 American Cleaning Institute (ACI) Annual Meeting and Industry Convention, from January 29th to February 2nd in Orlando, Florida, Henkel presented 15 awards to its top suppliers for their best-in-class performance in 2017. This year for the first time, Henkel awarded one winner and two second prizes for each of the five categories. The Beauty Care winner as Best Innovation Contributor was Clariant, the winning Sustainability Award went to Solvay. For Laundry & Home Care, the winning award for Best Innovation Contributor was given to IFF, the Sustainability Award winner was DuPont. Winner of the “Best Supply Performance” of Finance/Purchasing was Novozymes.

With a review of the year 2017 and a recap of Henkel’s 2020+ strategy, Thomas Müller-Kirschbaum, Corporate Senior Vice President R&D Laundry & Home Care, opened the award ceremony and welcomed more than 200 representatives of more than 30 major suppliers. As a symbol for the strong support by Henkel’s raw material suppliers in winning together, he outlined that this year for the first time, not only the winners in each of the five award categories were honored on stage, but also two second-prize winners per category.

Clariant won the award as “Best Innovation Contributor Beauty Care 2017”

Thomas Förster, Corporate Vice President R&D Beauty Care, explained the advantages of the newly developed Perlogen SF3000 by Clariant, a liquid pearlizing



concentrate with 30 percent better efficiency when compared with standard pearlizers. Henkel Beauty Care applies this new ingredient in its shampoos for a silky shine that makes them appear richer. The winners of the second prize were Ashland for novel cationic polymers with excellent care properties both in styling and in hair care, and Symrise for a multi-component formulation solution for high sunlight protection factor skin care creams combining skin protection with the benefits of a day cream.

Solvay honored as winner of the “Sustainability Award Beauty Care 2017”

For its sustainable guar initiative that has empowered already 4,000 guar farmers in India, Solvay received the winning Sustainability Award for Beauty Care. “Guar is a source of natural polymers used in home and personal care products”, said Thomas Förster, Corporate Vice President R&D Beauty Care. “We apply this sustainable ingredient in the Fiber Therapy technology of our Gliss Kur Hair Repair range.” The second prizes went to Agrana for tailor-made, residue-free starches used in high-performing dry shampoos to reduce the usage of hot water, and to UPM Raflatac for its innovative RafCycle label liner recycling process which converts liner waste to pulp and paper, enabling Henkel to recycle 500 tons of liner waste per year in its plants and to save more than 40 percent of energy and 10 percent of water in the paper production process.

IFF is winner as “Best Innovation Contributor Laundry & Home Care 2017”

“To our new Suprême range of fabric finishers with fine fragrance perfume oils, IFF made a major contribution with the combination of multi-phase capsule technology with substantive aroma-chemicals for a superior long-lasting scent experience”, said Michael Dreja, Corporate Director Research Laundry & Home Care. BASF was honored as second prize winner for the joint development of an entirely new high-performance ingredient for liquid laundry detergents with unique performance benefits in stain removal. Novozymes received the award as second prize winner for their enzyme technology for hand dishwashing detergents with Duo-Effect removing fat, starch and burnt-in residues while keeping the sink clean, supporting this dishes & drain benefit with a highly convincing, strong visual demonstration.

DuPont awarded as winner of the “Sustainability Award Laundry & Home Care 2017”

DuPont provided Henkel with a high-performance enzyme for best-in-class wash results in a broad range of detergents. “DuPont’s innovative enzyme technology exhibits superior efficiency at comparably low dosage. This saves material, time and money and is a perfect example for sustainability contribution”, stated Thomas Müller-Kirschbaum, Corporate Senior Vice President R&D Laundry & Home Care. Second prize winners in this category were Sasol for a new raw material solution for efficient sourcing compatible with a broad product portfolio enabling efficient material management in Henkel’s production plants, as well as Evonik for a unique specialty ingredient for easy ironing that reduces wrinkles and ironing friction through the wash and by this reduces ironing effort, time and energy.

Novozymes is winner of “Best Supply Performance 2017” award

Key elements for outstanding supply performance are excellent operational performance and best-in-class service combined continued progress in risk management and supplier managed inventory. “Novozymes pioneered in a joint transformation roadmap towards an interconnected supply chain”, said Thomas Holenia, Corporate Vice President Global Purchasing Raw Materials. Second prizes winners were Shell for excellent support during tight market situations and supply bottlenecks, and Stepan for their significant effort to secure the supply of a complex portfolio with huge volumes

Bertrand Conquéret, President Global Supply Chain and Corporate Vice President Purchasing at Henkel, concluded by thanking all suppliers for their continued strong support as part of ONE!Henkel team. He encouraged the suppliers to continue the journey to mitigate risk and volatility, to go together for sustainability and digitalization, and to invent for superior products to Henkel’s consumers.

About Henkel

Henkel operates globally with a well-balanced and diversified portfolio. The company holds leading positions with its three business units in both industrial and consumer businesses thanks to strong brands, innovations and technologies. Henkel Adhesive Technologies is the global leader in the adhesives market – across all industry segments worldwide. In its Laundry & Home Care and Beauty Care businesses, Henkel holds leading positions in many markets and categories around the world. Founded in 1876, Henkel looks back on more than 140 years of success. In 2016, Henkel reported sales of 18.7 billion euros and adjusted operating profit of 3.2 billion euros. Combined sales of the respective top brands of the three business units – Loctite, Schwarzkopf and Persil – amounted to more than 6 billion euros. Henkel employs more than 50,000 people globally – a passionate and highly diverse team, united by a strong company culture, a common purpose to create sustainable value, and shared values. As a recognized leader in sustainability, Henkel holds top positions in many international indices and rankings. Henkel's preferred shares are listed in the German stock index DAX. For more information, please visit www.henkel.com.

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