## Release according to § 26 para 1 sentence 1 WpHG Notifications of voting rights pursuant to §§ 21 para 1, 25 para 1 and 25 a WpHG

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1. On May 13, 2013 we received the following notification pursuant to § 21 para 1 WpHG:

On May 8, 2013, the percentage holding of the voting rights of Commerzbank Aktiengesellschaft, Frankfurt, Germany, in BASF SE fell below the threshold of 3 % and amounts to 0.10 % (962701 voting rights) on that day. 0.10 % of these voting rights (926794 voting rights) are attributed to Commerzbank Aktiengesellschaft pursuant to § 22 para 1 sentence 1 no. 6 WpHG.

2. On May 13, 2013 we received the following notification pursuant to § 25 para 1 WpHG:

On May 8, 2013, the percentage holding of the voting rights of Commerzbank Aktiengesellschaft, Frankfurt, Germany, in BASF SE fell below the threshold of 5% and amounts to 0% (0 voting rights) on that day. Thereof, 0% (0 voting rights) are instruments pursuant to § 25 WpHG and 0.10% (962701 voting rights) are voting rights pursuant to §§ 21 and 22 WpHG.

3. On May 13, 2013 we received the following notification pursuant to § 25 a WpHG:

On May 8, 2013, the percentage holding of the voting rights of Commerzbank Aktiengesellschaft, Frankfurt, Germany, in BASF SE fell below the threshold of 5 % and amounts to 1.97% (18112501 voting rights) on that day. Thereof, 1.87 % (17149800 voting rights) are instruments pursuant to § 25 a WpHG, 0 % (0 voting rights) are instruments pursuant to § 25 WpHG and 0.10 % (962701 voting rights) are voting rights pursuant to §§ 21 and 22 WpHG.

Details of the instruments pursuant to § 25 a WpHG:

Designation: Expiry:

Writer put-option May 17, 2013
Writer put-option June 21, 2013
Writer put-option July 19, 2013
Writer put-option September 20, 2013

Writer put-option December 20, 2013
Writer put-option March 21, 2014
Writer put-option June 20, 2014
Writer put-option December 19, 2014
Writer put-option December 18, 2015

Futures May 17, 2013
Futures August 2, 2013

Ludwigshafen, dated May 14, 2013

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