## Release according to section 26 para 1 sentence 1 WpHG

## Notifications of voting rights pursuant to section 21 para 1 WpHG

We received the following notifications of voting rights pursuant to section 21 para. 1 WpHG on April 29, 2015:

## I. Notification of voting rights pursuant to sec. 21 para. 1 WpHG from BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.:

Issuer: BASF SE, Carl-Bosch-Straße 38, 67056 Ludwigshafen, Germany

On April 27, 2015, the percentage holding of the voting rights of BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc., Wilmington, DE, U.S.A., of BASF SE (ISIN DE000BASF111) fell below the threshold of 5 % through disposal and amounts indirectly to 4.96 % on that day (this corresponds to 45,585,419 voting rights out of a total of 918,478,694 voting rights). 2.42 % out of the voting rights (this corresponds to 22,208,175 voting rights) are to be attributed to BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc. pursuant to sec. 22 para. 1 sentence 1 No. 1 WpHG. 2.85 % out of the voting rights (this corresponds to 26,162,648 voting rights) are to be attributed to BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc. pursuant to sec. 22 para. 1 sentence 1 No. 6 in connection with sentence 2 WpHG.

Please note that the total amount stated above does not necessarily equal the sum of the detailed attributed holdings. This results from voting rights having multiple attributions within the BlackRock group structure.

## II. Notification of voting rights pursuant to sec. 21 para. 1 WpHG from BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.:

Issuer: BASF SE, Carl-Bosch-Straße 38, 67056 Ludwigshafen, Germany

On April 27, 2015, the percentage holding of the voting rights of BlackRock Financial Management, Inc., Wilmington, DE, U.S.A., of BASF SE (ISIN DE000BASF111) fell below the threshold of 5 % through disposal and amounts indirectly to 4.96 % on that day (this corresponds to 45,585,419 voting rights out of a total of 918,478,694 voting rights). 2.42 % out of the voting rights (this corresponds to 22,208,175 voting rights) are to be attributed BlackRock Financial Management, Inc. pursuant sec. 22 para. 1 sentence 1 No. 1 WpHG. 0.02 % out of the voting rights corresponds to 148,246 voting rights) are to be attributed to BlackRock Financial Management, Inc. pursuant to sec. 22 para. 1 sentence 1 No. 6 WpHG 2.83 % out of the voting rights (this corresponds to 26.015.617 voting rights) are to be attributed to BlackRock Financial Management, Inc. pursuant to sec. 22 para. 1 sentence 1 No. 6 in connection with sentence 2 WpHG.

Please note that the total amount stated above does not necessarily equal the sum of the detailed attributed holdings. This results from voting rights having multiple attributions within the BlackRock group structure.

Ludwigshafen, dated May 5, 2015

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