

## **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 May 11, 2015:

#### **I. Notification of voting rights pursuant to sec. 21 para. 1 WpHG from Norges Bank:**

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

On May 8, 2015, the percentage holding of the voting rights of the Norges Bank (the Central Bank of Norway), Oslo, Norway, in BASF SE (ISIN DE000BASF111) exceeded the threshold of 3 % through acquisition and amounts directly to 3.32 % (30,506,539 voting rights) on that day.

#### **II. Notification of voting rights pursuant to sec. 21 para. 1 WpHG from the State of Norway:**

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

On May 8, 2015, the percentage holding of the voting rights of the State of Norway, represented by the Ministry of Finance, Oslo, Norway, in BASF SE (ISIN DE000BASF111) exceeded the threshold of 3 % through acquisition and amounts indirectly to 3.32 % (30,506,539 voting rights) on that day. These voting rights (30,506,539 voting rights) are attributed to the State of Norway pursuant to sec. 22 para 1 sentence 1 no. 1 WpHG by Norges Bank.

Ludwigshafen, dated May 12, 2015

BASF SE