

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

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

1. On May 5, 2014 we received the following notification pursuant to § 21 para 1 WpHG:

On April 30, 2014, the percentage holding of the voting rights of Commerzbank Aktiengesellschaft, Frankfurt, Germany, in BASF SE exceeded the threshold of 3 % through acquisition and amounts to 4.15 % (38139625 voting rights) on that day. 0.11 % of these voting rights (969081 voting rights) are attributed to Commerzbank Aktiengesellschaft pursuant to § 22 para 1 sentence 1 no. 6 WpHG.

2. On May 5, 2014 we received the following notification pursuant to § 25 para 1 WpHG:

On April 30, 2014, the percentage holding of the voting rights of Commerzbank Aktiengesellschaft, Frankfurt, Germany, in BASF SE exceeded the threshold of 5% through acquisition and amounts to 6.37 % (58497932 voting rights) on that day. Thereof, 2.22 % (20358307 voting rights) are instruments pursuant to § 25 WpHG (thereof held indirectly: 0.00 %, which equals to 0 voting rights) and 4.15 % (38139625 voting rights) are voting rights pursuant to §§ 21 and 22 WpHG.

Details of the instruments pursuant to § 25 WpHG:

| Designation | Maturity | Expiry |
|--|----------------------|--------------------|
| Reclaims from bonds or loans on securities | until further notice | |
| Physically settled call-option | ./. | May 16, 2014 |
| Physically settled call-option | ./. | June 20, 2014 |
| Physically settled call-option | ./. | July 18, 2014 |
| Physically settled call-option | ./. | September 19, 2014 |
| Physically settled call-option | ./. | December 19, 2014 |
| Physically settled call-option | ./. | March 20, 2015 |
| Physically settled call-option | ./. | June 19, 2015 |
| Physically settled call-option | ./. | December 18, 2015 |
| Physically settled call-option | ./. | December 16, 2016 |

3. On May 5, 2014 we received the following notification pursuant to § 25 a para 1 WpHG:

On April 30, 2014, the percentage holding of the voting rights of Commerzbank Aktiengesellschaft, Frankfurt, Germany, in BASF SE exceeded the threshold of 5 % through acquisition and amounts to 8.50 % (78040253 voting rights) on that day. Thereof, 2.13 % (19542321 voting rights) are instruments pursuant to § 25 a WpHG (thereof held indirectly: 0.00 %, which equals to 0 voting rights), 2.22 % (20358307 voting rights) are instruments pursuant to § 25 WpHG (thereof held indirectly: 0.00 %, which equals to 0 voting rights) and 4.15 % (38139625 voting rights) are voting rights pursuant to §§ 21 and 22 WpHG.

Details of the instruments pursuant to § 25 a WpHG:

| Designation | Maturity | Expiry |
|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Writer put option | ./. | May 16, 2014 |
| Writer put option | ./. | June 20, 2014 |
| Writer put option | ./. | September 19, 2014 |
| Writer put option | ./. | December 19, 2014 |
| Writer put option | ./. | March 20, 2015 |
| Writer put option | ./. | June 19, 2015 |
| Writer put option | ./. | December 18, 2015 |
| Writer put option | ./. | December 16, 2016 |
| Cash-settled future | May 16, 2014 | ./. |
| Cash-settled future | August 15, 2014 | ./. |

Ludwigshafen, dated May 6, 2014

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