

News Release



BASF opens expanded Victorian Automotive Refinish Technology Distribution Centre at new location

- **New facility supports growth of body shops around Victoria**
- **Enhances access to BASF automotive refinish paints and dry goods**
- **New specially designed facilities include spray and tint rooms**

Melbourne, Australia – November 16, 2017 – BASF has relocated its Victorian Automotive Refinish Technology Distribution Centre to a larger, specially designed facility in Dandenong South. Strategically located in Victoria's first integrated eco-industrial business park, the site also offers excellent access to Melbourne's major arterials for improved logistics.

"Relocating the distribution center to a bigger space enables us to further expand our distribution services, and provide the highest level of service to body shops in the region," said Tony Wiggins, Head of Coatings BASF Australia and New Zealand. The new facility features a customized warehouse and tint room and spray room for color matching and testing, along with a two-story office.

Over the last seven years, BASF has doubled its automotive coatings customer base in Australia and experienced a significant growth in local sales. The new warehouse helps to cater for this growth and features almost double the racking space, to enable more stock to be held on hand.

The site will distribute brands including Glasurit®, NORBIN® and baslac® along with dry goods, to bodyshops around Victoria and the

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region. The new facility also features meeting and conference spaces to allow BASF to offer seminars, training, and updates on the latest technologies to Victorian body shops and spray paint specialists.

About BASF's Coatings division

The Coatings division of BASF is a global expert in the development, production and marketing of innovative and sustainable automotive OEM and refinish coatings, as well as decorative paints. We create advanced performance solutions and drive performance, design and new applications to meet our partners' needs all over the world. BASF shares skills, knowledge and resources of interdisciplinary and global teams for the benefit of customers by operating a collaborative network of sites in Europe, North America, South America and Asia Pacific. In 2016, the Coatings division achieved global sales of about €3.2 billion.

In 2016, BASF acquired Chemetall, a leading global supplier of applied surface treatments for metal, plastic and glass substrates in a wide range of industries and end markets. With this expansion in portfolio, BASF becomes a more complete solution provider for coatings.

Solutions beyond your imagination – Coatings by BASF. For more information about the Coatings division of BASF and its products, visit www.basf-coatings.com.

About BASF

At BASF, we create chemistry for a sustainable future. We combine economic success with environmental protection and social responsibility. The approximately 114,000 employees in the BASF Group work on contributing to the success of our customers in nearly all sectors and almost every country in the world. Our portfolio is organized into five segments: Chemicals, Performance Products, Functional Materials & Solutions, Agricultural Solutions and Oil & Gas. BASF generated sales of about €58 billion in 2016. BASF shares are traded on the stock exchanges in Frankfurt (BAS), London (BFA) and Zurich (BAS). Further information at www.basf.com.