Release according to § 26 para. 1 sentence 1 WpHG  
Notification of voting rights pursuant to § 21 para. 1 WpHG

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On March 5, 2015 we received the following notification pursuant to § 21 para. 1 WpHG:

On March 3, 2015, the percentage holding of the voting rights of BlackRock Group Limited, London, United Kingdom, of BASF SE (ISIN DE000BASF111) exceeded the threshold of 3 % through acquisition and amounts to 3.02 % on that day (this corresponds to 27,742,077 voting rights out of a total of 918,478,694 voting rights (the "Total Voting Rights").

2.00 % out of the Total Voting Rights (this corresponds to 18,328,795 voting rights) are to be attributed to BlackRock Group Limited pursuant to Sec. 22 para. 1 sentence 1 No. 1 WpHG.

1.35 % out of the Total Voting Rights (this corresponds to 12,421,776 voting rights) are to be attributed to BlackRock Group Limited 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 March 6, 2015

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