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## CREATING TOMORROW'S SOLUTIONS

WACKER is a globally active company with a well-balanced mix of chemical and semiconductor operations, pushing ahead with technical innovations and the development of new products for the world's key industries. WACKER is organized as a group of independently operating units in five business divisions based on the resources Ethene and Silicium.

SILTRONIC AG is No. 3 of world's largest producers of hyperpure silicon wafers for the semiconductor industry. It is a key supplier of most leading chipmakers. Focusing on the growing 300 mm wafer market, the division reinforces its market position through leading-edge technology and uncompromising quality. WACKER's former 100% subsidiary is traded since 2015 at Frankfurt Stock Exchange (TecDAX).

The WACKER SILICONES business division is a world-leading silicones manufacturer with over 3,000 highly specialized and innovative products. The division's portfolio ranges from silicone fluids, emulsions, resins, elastomers and sealants to silanes and pyrogenic silicas. The Silicones division further expanded its sales, to over 2.0 bn € This is a year-over-year increase of 3 percent. Favorable exchange-rate effects and higher volumes were key reasons behind this improvement.

The Group combined its polymer activities into the WACKER POLYMERS business division – a leading producer of state-of-the-art binders and polymeric additives in the form of dispersible polymer powders and dispersions, polyvinyl acetates, surface coating resins and polyvinyl alcohol solutions. They are used in construction chemicals, paints and surface coatings, adhesives, plasters and nonwovens, and as binders in polymeric materials based on renewable resources.

### **Managing Board::**

Dr. Rudolf Staudigl (President & CEO), Dr. Christian Hartel, Dr. Tobias Ohler, Auguste Willems

WACKER POLYSILICON business division is a world-leading producer of hyper-pure polysilicon. Its product portfolio also includes pyrogenic silicas, chlorosilanes and salt. Its polysilicon is used throughout the semiconductor industry. A rise was due to substantial volume growth, despite that average solar-silicon prices were lower. The decline of EBITDA was basically caused by lower average prices, by start-up costs at the new production site at Charleston, Tennessee (USA), and by a substantial reduction in special income from advance payments retained and damages from customers.

WACKER BIOSOLUTIONS division uses advances chemical and biotech processes for innovative, tailored biotech and catalog products in the fine chemicals and pharmaceutical sector.. The division focuses on developing customized solutions for growth sectors such cosmetics and food additives.

WACKER intends to be a world leader and profitable technology driver in its core areas, offering innovative chemical products energy-saving solutions and sees chances in a balance between economic, environmental and social factors in everything we do. WACKER closed 2016 with net income of 242 million euros –an increase of around 24 percent year over year

WACKER sees the best chances for further growth in 2017 at the chemical divisions and expect at the Silicones division a mid-single-digit percentage increase in sales this year, combined with substantial growth in EBITDA. Expected sales to increase are not only in Asia, but also in Europe and the Americas. The recipe for success is: excellent quality and extremely low production costs. This is a course we will stay on. The company generated in worldwide 25 production sites and over 100 sales offices with 17.205 employees (as of Dec. 2016) a turnover of +2% to € 5.404.2 billion according IFRS and EBITDA of €1,1 billion (+5%) in 2016. Net cash flow again projected to about 400 mill.€ In 2017. Dividend proposal € 2,00 per share.

### **Supervisory Board:**

Dr. Peter-Alexander Wacker (Chairman)  
(see respective biographies)