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SIDEL ANNOUNCES DIVESTMENT OF HEMA

Global PET liquid packaging specialist Sidel has announced the divestment of Hema, an independent subsidiary, to Barry-Wehmiller, a diversified engineering and manufacturing technology company for the packaging, corrugating, sheeting and paper converting industries. The transaction was completed on March 31, 2015.

Hema, headquartered in Quimper, France, manufactures and sells filling systems for complex liquid foods like meats, edible oils, sauces, dressings, dairy products and liquid pate, and also for other areas such as cosmetics. The move is part of Sidel's strategy to focus on the core business of PET liquid packaging solutions to the beverage industry. As a global capital equipment and engineering technology firm with packaging activities, Barry-Wehmiller offers Hema and its associates the opportunity to thrive in a more suitable environment. Barry-Wehmiller has ten interactive divisions: Accraply, BW Container Systems, Barry-Wehmiller International (B-WI), BW Papersystems, Design Group, Hayssen Flexible Systems, Paper Converting Machine Company (PCMC), PneumaticScaleAngelus, Synerlink and Thiele Technologies.

The divestment of Hema to Barry-Wehmiller creates access to new markets and opportunities for Hema, and provides a stable basis to secure the long-term future of the company. Under the terms of the purchase agreement, Barry-Wehmiller will honour both existing supplier and customer agreements. Sidel will retain a supplier relationship with Hema ensuring customers continue to receive the same high level of service already delivered.

Mart Tiismann, Sidel President & CEO, commented: "We are pleased to have found in Barry-Wehmiller a company whose strong engineering capabilities and focus on packaging represents excellent opportunities to take the Hema business forward and we wish them every success in the future."

Bob Chapman, Chairman & CEO of Barry-Wehmiller, commented: "Hema's expertise in providing filling solutions is highly complementary to our diverse portfolio of packaging companies. We are confident that Hema will be further strengthened within the Barry-Wehmiller business model and that its team members will thrive within our dynamic people-centric culture. We look forward to joining the talents of both organizations in creating a strong global presence in the filling market."



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About Sidel

Our purpose is to help brands protect the product inside, preserve the planet outside and touch the lives of millions of people every day.

We do so by offering complete and modular PET packaging solutions, including people, services and equipment.

Sidel has over 165 years of industrial experience. With 30,000 machines installed in more than 190 nations, we have been helping producers fill beverage bottles for over 80 years, blow them for more than 50 and label them for more than 35. We have 40 years of aseptic packaging expertise, and were one of the first companies to introduce PET bottles to the beverage industry over 30 years ago.

Part of the Tetra Laval group and headquartered in Switzerland, Sidel has over 50 office locations, 13 production sites and 7 training centres worldwide. Each of our more than 3,400 employees, spread over five continents, is committed to creating the optimum liquid-packaging solution.

We call it **A Better Match** - for our world, our customers and ourselves.

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