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CyPlus earns International Cyanide Management Code certification

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In October 2012, CyPlus GmbH's Wesseling cyanide plant passed its second re-certification in accordance with the International Cyanide Management Code for the Manufacture, Transport and Use of Cyanide in the Production of Gold (ICMC). Passing the audit is proof that CyPlus GmbH meets the comprehensive, stringent requirements of the ICMC for cyanide producers.

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Furthermore, CyPlus GmbH has committed to observing the requirements of the ICMC as a consignor for cyanides on defined transport routes. In addition to the 2011 certification of the transport route from the Wesseling production site to destination ports in Argentina, Brazil, and Mexico and a transport route in Argentina, the transport routes in Mexico and Turkey had been certified in full compliance with ICMI requirements. The certification in Mexico also includes the terminal in Obregon, Sonora in accordance with the ICMC protocol for production sites.

Certifications are valid for three years and are then followed by regular re-audits. They document the great commitment of CyPlus GmbH to the safe and responsible handling of cyanides over the entire product lifecycle.

ICMC is a voluntary global self-obligation of gold mining companies, cyanide producers, and cyanide shippers. The code was developed jointly by representatives of the mining industry, suppliers and manufacturers, as well as government agencies and non-governmental organizations. The objective of the ICMC is to ensure globally valid, very high and uniform standards for safety,



the environment and quality associated with the use of cyanides in gold mining. CyPlus GmbH was among the first official signers of the code.

CyPlus is a leading company in cyanides. The Evonik subsidiary provides innovative products, technologies and services to customers in the mining, chemical, pharmaceutical, and surface treatment industries. The company meets the extensive and strict requirements of the international mining industry as a supplier of cyanides in accordance with the provisions of the International Cyanide Management Code (ICMC). Production sites in Europe and sales and distribution offices on all continents provide customers with swift and reliable service. CyPlus regards itself as a pacesetter of progress and sustainability.