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DE SANGOSSE ACQUIRES NUTRIENT TECHNOLOGIES Acquisition Increases Agriculture Global Product Offerings



Dinuba, CA (December 3, 2015) As part of its international development strategy, De Sangosse is pleased to announce their latest acquisition into North America – Nutrient Technologies, an industry-leading manufacturer in the field of Plant Nutrition in the Western United States. For more than 20 years, Nutrient Technologies has successfully developed and marketed an innovative product portfolio based on TECHFLO® technology. TECH-FLO products are chemically reacted, neutral, micronized powders formulated as flowable dispersions for use as nutritional sprays. These products primarily target the fruit, vine and vegetable markets.

Nutrient Technologies will benefit from the additional resources of partnering with De Sangosse, which will allow them to pursue and increase their pace of new product development. With the teamed strength and expertise of Nutrient and De Sangosse together, TECH-FLO products will have a greater impact upon the global market, improving plant nutrition and benefitting more people and livestock than ever before.

"This acquisition strengthens our leading position in the Plant Nutrition specialty markets at the worldwide level, and provides a platform for us in one of the most important agricultural regions. It's an important step taken from our strategic development plan," said Nicolas Fillon, CEO, De Sangosse. "U.S. agriculture has a very high growth potential for De Sangosse. The addition of Nutrient Technologies—with its strong brand recognition and presence in the Western United States—will allow us to accelerate our international development."

"The purchase of Nutrient Technologies by De Sangosse is an opportunity to strengthen and accelerate the development of our new projects, while benefiting from the additional resources provided by De Sangosse. We share the same philosophy, selective approach to foliar markets and integration of the product development process including research, formulation, registration and marketing. De Sangosse is the right partner to take the company to the next level." said Dr. Lester McNall, founder and CEO, Nutrient Technologies. Carl Tanner, former CEO of Liphatech, Inc. will lead the transition as interim CEO of Nutrient Technologies. Jeff Reimche, who has played a critical role in the past 20 years in the company's success, will continue his responsibilities as director of operations.

De Sangosse has continually invested in the development of new solutions for agriculture. The opportunity for additional expansion enables the company to better position itself in the growing global Plant Protection and Nutrition markets.

About Nutrient Technologies:

For more than 20 years, Nutrient Technologies has successfully introduced many specialty plant nutrition products utilizing their innovative TECH–FLO® formulations. TECH-FLO products enjoy strong brand name recognition and are well known for their high quality and dependable performance. Based in Dinuba, CA, Nutrient Technologies offers a broad portfolio of more than 40 products. It is headed by Dr. Lester McNall as CEO and Jeff Reimche as director of operations, along with an experienced team of 11 employees, of which four are certified agronomists.

About De Sangosse:

The De Sangosse group, based in Agen, France, is a global enterprise which develops, manufactures, and market products focused on crop protection, plant nutrition, rodent control and seed markets. The group's mission is to provide innovative technical solutions and a high level of expertise to customers in strategic areas of activity. The De Sangosse group product offering is constantly enriched thanks to dedicated investments in R&D, technical development, registrations and several strategic partnerships. The group's vision is one of productive agriculture that is respectful of the environment while focusing on the challenges facing crop production. Currently, De Sangosse employs more than 800 people worldwide. Employees are the majority shareholders, a fact that guarantees the group's independence.

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