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GROWING FOOD-CHEMICAL MANUFACTURER EXPANDS TO TACOMA, WA BHS Specialty Chemical Announces New Manufacturing Site, Doubles Capacity

TACOMA, Washington, Nov. 1, 2012 - As of October 1, 2012, BHS Specialty Chemical Products will expand the scope of its food-safe chemical manufacturing operations. To serve the growing needs of the food grade manufacturing industry, the company is developing a new production and distribution facility in Tacoma, Washington.

The new site, is over twice the size of the current BHS manufacturing facility in Nampa, Idaho, will more than double the company's production capacity, and will expand its reach in the Northwest and worldwide, said BHS Chairman & CEO Phil Johnson. "BHS has acquired manufacturing space at Olin Corp's Tacoma plant. This strategic site will allow BHS access to integrated, economical, chlor alkali products produced by Olin."

The BHS facility will be located on Thorne Road just east of Tacoma in the city's Tideflats industrial area. With easy access to the Seattle & Tacoma ports, this will be an international gateway to the Pacific Rim and the world.

BHS Specialty Chemical Products is a unique SQF-Certified company that specializes in an array of chemicals created for the food industry, including a complete offering of food-safe plant sanitation products as well as food ingredients. With a focus on the needs of food manufacturing plants, the company will have increased ability to facilitate the growth of a variety of industry segments, including everything from potato products to fruits, vegetables, seafood and sugar.

BHS is the world's largest producer of soda ash briquettes used in aluminum smelting operations, as well as in neutralization for the high-sulfur coal industry. BHS's strong standing as the leading provider in soda ash makes them the largest independent manufacturer of powdered soda ash in North America.

Production at the Tacoma location will start as a phased approach; product rollouts will begin before the end of the year. Ultimately, the new facility will produce all products that are manufactured at the company's home base in Nampa, Idaho, thereby doubling the company's total output. Including warehousing locations, this will be the fourth facility for BHS, which provides service from coast to coast. Other locations include Fort Lupton, Colorado and Salt Lake City, Utah. A total of 75 million pounds of product annually is projected for the Tacoma facility.

About BHS Specialty Chemicals

BHS offers a complete spectrum of products and services to satisfy the chemical requirements of food manufacturers and other industries. An SQF 2000 Level II Certified Company, BHS provides chemicals approved and controlled for use in food manufacturing plants. Since 1998 the company has grown to become a prominent member of the chemical supplier industry. To learn more, visit <http://www.BHSpecialtychemicals.com>

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