

Mersen awarded a new contract related to electrolysis systems compliance with EU regulation

Paris, March 31 2015 - Mersen (Euronext FR0000039620 – MRN), global expert in electrical specialties and graphite-based materials, announces having signed a contract worth over €1 million for the supply of a turnkey system for the chemical industry to be delivered in 2016.

The contract signed with Kem One, the European vinyl industry specialist, is for the supply of a turnkey system for the synthesis of liquid hydrochloric acid to ensure compliance of chlor-alkali electrolysis systems with EU regulation.

Electrolysis systems using mercury are being phased out and will be banned in the European Union as of 2018. As a result, the chemical industry must convert their existing facilities to the best available technology, namely membrane technology. Mersen's solution will enable Kem One to produce hydrochloric acid of high purity level required by this technology.

Mersen's expertise in the design, manufacture and delivery of turnkey solutions for the synthesis of hydrochloric acid and its innovative energy recovery system were the key factors in securing this contract.

With a track record of more than 600 systems installed worldwide, Mersen is consolidating its position as one of the leading global suppliers of turnkey systems for the chemical industry, and specifically for the chlor-alkali market.

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About Mersen

Global expert in electrical specialties and graphite-based materials, Mersen designs innovative solutions to address its clients' specific needs to enable them to optimize their manufacturing process in sectors such as energy, transportation, electronics, chemical, pharmaceutical and process industries.

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