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PRESS RELEASE

ISAGRO: SALE OF BENALAXYL FUNGICIDE TO FMC

Milan, June 25th, 2009 – Isagro S.p.A. announces the today sale to FMC Chemical sprl, a subsidiary of FMC Corporation, of the rights and assets related to its proprietary fungicide Benalaxyl, invented by Isagro's R&D and marketed under the brand names GALBEN®, TAIREL® and TRECATOL®, including Benalaxyl's registrations, registration documents, trademarks, intellectual properties and know-how.

Benalaxyl is a systemic fungicide, highly effective against *oomycetes* infecting grapes, potatoes and several vegetable crops. Benalaxyl has been included in Europe in Annex I in 2004, is registered in more than 50 countries worldwide and originated in 2008 consolidated sales for € 9.1 million. The divestment of this asset has been planned by Isagro S.p.A. in connection with the development and introduction of a new proprietary fungicide named Kiralaxyl.

The Parties agreed upon a purchase price of € 14 million, already paid in cash, and entered into ancillary agreements ruling side activities of the deal, such as the supply by Isagro S.p.A. of Benalaxyl active ingredient and copper oxychloride, the toll manufacturing of the formulated products and the distribution of certain formulated products in selected countries for an interim period by Isagro S.p.A.'s affiliates.

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Isagro will utilize the proceeds coming from the transaction primarily to finance the overall business operations, including restructuring/reorganization costs.

While the financial impact of this deal - which is strategically consistent with the development underway of the new fungicide Kiralaxyl - is of sizeable relevance for Isagro, the economic one is not so significant. In fact, the capital gain deriving from the sale of the Benalaxyl asset is mostly offset by the present value of the related contribution margins included in the 2008-12 Business Plan.

Isagro operates in the international agro-pharmaceuticals market - crop protection products - in 80 countries all over the world, and makes direct investments in the innovation and development of new molecules (three new chemical formulations within the next four years) and other agents with a low environmental impact.

The Group employs approximately 850 people and has 6 manufacturing facilities, 4 in Italy, 1 in India and 1 in Brazil. It distributes directly to Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, India, Italy, Spain and United States while leading local partners distribute its products in the other countries.

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