

## **Chemetall receives highest supplier award by Airbus**

(BATON ROUGE, La.) Feb. 9, 2015 -- Chemetall, a leading global surface treatment company and division of Albemarle Corporation (NYSE:ALB), has been awarded the highest supplier honor in the Airbus “Materials & Parts SQIP” (Supply Chain & Quality Improvement) program. Chemetall is one of only four of Airbus’ 48 supplier companies to achieve the “accredited supplier” status.

“It is a great honor for our company to receive again this prestigious Airbus quality award,” said Chemetall’s Global Aerospace Manager Hendrik Becker during the SQIP Day ceremony.

“Sustainability is one of Chemetall’s core values, and Airbus can be assured that the entire Chemetall team will do its very best to continue our efforts to strive for excellence.”

The “accredited supplier” award verifies Chemetall’s best-in-class performance. It honors the company’s continuous commitment to provide top quality products and excellent delivery performance, including on-time deliveries, production capacities and efficient processes. Last year, Chemetall received the Golden Award in the “Best Performer” category, the second highest quality award of the Airbus SQIP program. The SQIP program’s goal is to develop the most strategic suppliers of Airbus towards industrial excellence with regard to its on-time and quality targets.

For 25 years, Chemetall and Airbus have enjoyed an excellent business relationship. As a preferred supplier of Airbus, Chemetall offers advanced technologies which fulfill the highest aerospace specifications. From its production plant in Langelshiem, Germany and its French production site in Soissons, Chemetall supplies a wide range of aircraft sealants, corrosion inhibiting compounds, cleaners, paints strippers and other pretreatment technologies to various Airbus sites in Europe.

### **About Albemarle**

Albemarle Corporation, headquartered in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, is a premier specialty chemicals company with leading positions in attractive end markets around the world. With a broad customer reach and diverse end markets, Albemarle develops, manufactures and markets technologically advanced and high value added products, including lithium and lithium compounds, bromine and bromine derivatives, catalysts and surface treatment chemistries used in a wide range of applications including consumer electronics, flame retardants, metal processing, plastics, contemporary and alternative transportation vehicles, refining, pharmaceuticals, agriculture, construction and custom chemistry services. Albemarle is focused on delivering differentiated, performance-based technologies that deliver innovative and sustainable solutions to its customers.

Albemarle employs approximately 6,900 people and serves customers in approximately 100 countries. Albemarle regularly posts information to [www.albemarle.com](http://www.albemarle.com), including notification of events, news, financial performance, investor presentations and webcasts, Regulation G reconciliations, SEC filings and other information regarding Albemarle, its businesses and the markets it serves.

Chemetall Surface Treatment, a business unit of Albemarle Corporation, is a leading global supplier of specialty chemicals with a focus on processes for the surface treatment of metals and plastics. To learn more, visit [www.chemetall.com](http://www.chemetall.com).

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 <p>Three men in business suits are standing on an airfield. In the background, the nose and wings of a large white Airbus aircraft are visible against a clear blue sky. The men are looking towards the camera. The text 'SQIP DAY' and 'AIRBUS' is visible at the bottom of the photo.</p>	<p>Chemetall has been awarded the highest supplier honor in the Airbus “Materials &amp; Parts SQIP” program.</p> <p><i>From left to right:</i></p> <p>Hendrik Becker Global Segment Manager Aerospace</p> <p>Ronald Hendriks Quality Manager EMEA, Airbus SQIP Coordinator</p> <p>Christoph Hantschel Global Product Manager Aircraft Sealants</p> <p>© Airbus S.A.S, Mit freundlicher Genehmigung von Airbus</p>
 <p>Five men in business suits are standing on a stage during an award ceremony. One man in the center is holding a certificate or award. A large 'Chemetall' logo is visible on a screen in the background. The text '© AIRBUS S.A.S. 2014 - photo by Master Films (C) SADONNET' is visible at the bottom of the photo.</p>	<p>The Chemetall representatives are proud to receive the ‘accredited supplier’ awards as part of the Airbus SQIP program. Present at the award ceremony were:</p> <p>Hendrik Becker Global Segment Manager Aerospace</p> <p>Christoph Hantschel Global Product Manager Aircraft Sealants</p> <p>Ronald Hendriks Quality Manager EMEA, Airbus SQIP Coordinator</p> <p>© Airbus S.A.S, Mit freundlicher Genehmigung von Airbus</p>