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KaMin LLC Continues and Expands its Relationship with Omya

KaMin and Omya have reached agreement on continuing their current long-term relationship, where Omya acts as an agent for KaMin products in EMEA. Additionally Omya will effective April 1, 2015 act as an agent for KaMin for their CADAM products in Europe out of their Antwerp facility for EMEA. Omya continues to focus on developing their distribution business in Forest Products in support of our core businesses.

Rankin Hobbs, CEO of KaMin: "We are extremely pleased not only to continue our long relationship with Omya, but also to expand it to include our portfolio of clays from CADAM. Our unique fine particle clays are perfect co-pigments in high containing GCC coating formulations. It just seems so obvious that we should be working hand in hand with Omya to optimize our customers' cost and quality."

Thoralf Gliese, EVP Forest Products Industry at Omya: "This new agreement represents a major milestone in our relationship and I am very happy about this achievement, because it is an important step for the entire Omya "Forest Products Industry" team to strengthen our distribution business. The next step will be to fully incorporate the CADAM clays into the Omya product & sales portfolio. I would also like to emphasize that we have already started the process to find new applications for existing products through joint Research & Development."

Omya is a leading global producer of industrial minerals – mainly fillers and pigments derived from calcium carbonate and dolomite – and a worldwide distributor of specialty chemicals. The company's major markets are forest products (fiber based products such as paper, board and tissue), polymers, building materials (paints, coatings, sealants, adhesives and construction) as well as life sciences (food, feed, pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, environment and agriculture). Founded in 1884 in Switzerland, Omya has a global presence extending to more than 180 locations in over 50 countries with 8,000 employees.

About KaMin LLC and CADAM S.A. – With over 80 years of experience in mining and processing kaolin clay, KaMin delivers value to customers worldwide with high quality kaolin solutions for the most demanding applications.

KaMin mines and produces its kaolin in the US at three Georgia plants – Macon, Sandersville and Wrens – and at its CADAM S.A. subsidiary in Brazil. KaMin has been recognized not only as a leader in product quality and export volumes, but also in its safe mining practices for many consecutive years.