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SHELL AND PAQUES CREATE NEW JV TO PUSH BIO-DESULPHURISATION TECHNOLOGY FOR OIL & GAS

Shell and Paques Holding B.V. have agreed upon the formation of a 50-50 joint venture, Paqell B.V., to focus their efforts on the marketing of biological desulphurisation in the oil and gas sector for high pressure gas applications using THIOPAQ[®] O&G (oil & gas) technology.

“The joint venture itself demonstrates Shell’s continuous drive to develop innovative solutions for the future, particularly with growth in the gas sector and the challenges in meeting increasing energy demand and environmental expectations,” said Theo Bodewes, Shell Vice President for Gas & Liquids Treating Technologies. “Our unique sulphur recovery technology is well-positioned to address the industry needs, and we are pleased to start a new chapter in our cooperation with Paques.”

“The foundation of Paqell will give a stronger dedicated focus for their successful activities. This joint venture is the achievement of our strategy of continuous innovation and forming partnerships for product and market development. We therefore look forward to an even closer cooperation with Shell,” said Rob Heim, Managing Director of Paques Holding B.V.

THIOPAQ[®] has been deployed by Paques in the water business for atmospheric biogas desulphurisation since the early 1990’s. Paques then formed a technology alliance with Shell in 1997, and saw the successful deployment of THIOPAQ[®] to the broader oil and gas industry, particularly in large scale H₂S removal and sulphur recovery. THIOPAQ[®] is currently being applied in four (4) sites in the oil and gas industry, with seven (7) projects under construction.

A new research and development program will be concluded by the end of next year, which aims to provide the next generation THIOPAQ[®] O&G technology with a step change in efficiency and capacity. Once this research program is successfully completed, Paqell will operate from the Watercampus in Leeuwarden, the Netherlands where there is a high level of expertise available in sustainable water technology. For now, Paqell operates from Leeuwarden, Amsterdam and Balk in the Netherlands. Machiel van der Schoot will be Managing Director of Paqell B.V.

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About THIOPAQ®

THIOPAQ® is a technology that makes use of natural occurring bacteria for sulphur recovery, operating in ambient temperature with simple utilities. As no concentrated toxic H₂S streams occur, the safety risk contours are small in comparison to traditional H₂S removal technologies. Biosulphur or standard so-called Claus-quality sulphur can be produced, the former offering the opportunity for direct land use in fertilizer and fungicide applications, with quick soil pick up and crop yield enhancement. Large scale H₂S removal using THIOPAQ® can be applied in unconventional gas, natural gas, flared gas, acid gas, and oil refining.

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About Paques

Biotechnology that purifies water and gas is Paques' profession. Revitalizing resources is their motto.

Paques helps companies to contribute to the major challenges of today: to reduce water and carbon footprints and reclaim valuable resources.

Paques' anaerobic water purification systems produce energy from wastewater, whilst purifying the water and facilitating water reuse. The biogas produced in the purifying process is a source of green energy. Since the introduction of our first BIOPAQ® reactor in 1981, close cooperation with our partners has resulted in a broad portfolio for integrated water and gas treatment. Paques' technologies have proven to be cost-effective and reliable solutions.

Paques offers a broad range of services, ranging from feasibility studies, consultancy and engineering to mechanical and electrical contracting. The portfolio for water treatment is wide and includes flexible anaerobic treatment, aerobic treatment, (biological) sand filtration, nitrogen removal, sulphate removal, phosphate recovery and removal and metal removal. For (bio)gas treatment, Paques offers a very efficient desulphurisation technology. Customers of Paques are active in virtually every municipal and industrial market, such as food and beverages, pulp and paper, biofuels, metal and mining and chemicals. More information is available at www.paques.nl.

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