PEOPLE

Cognis has announced the expansion of its management board. Paul Allen, executive vice president functional products, Stephane Baseden, executive vice president nutrition & health, and Richard Ridinger, executive vice president care chemicals have all been appointed to the management board.

Minerals Technologies Inc. has announced the retirement of Paul R. Saueracker, chairman, president, and chief executive officer. Joseph C. Muscari, a member of the Board of Directors of Minerals Technologies Inc. since 2005, has been named to succeed Saueracker effective March 1, 2007. Minerals Technologies Inc. has also announced that John A. Sorel, senior vice president, finance and chief financial officer, will assume responsibility for managing the company’s Synsil Products business in addition to his finance responsibilities.

Nielsen-Massey Vanillas is under new ownership. True to its name, it is and will remain a family-owned business. Camilla Nielsen’s three children, Craig, Beth, and Matt Nielsen, have taken ownership of the company.

COMPANIES

Acquisitions

The SensoryEffects business unit of Loders Croklaan USA, LLC has been purchased by Performance Chemicals & Ingredients (PCI) Company of St. Louis, MO. This transaction reinforces PCI Company’s plan to build a specialty food ingredients business through target acquisitions and organic growth.

Givaudan has signed an agreement with UK-based Imperial Chemical Industries PLC to acquire its fragrance and flavor business, Quest International. Acquiring Quest will extend Givaudan’s leadership position in all strategic segments of the fragrance and flavor industry.

New Company

The Ingredient House, LLC is opening doors together with selected exclusive partners. The company, headed by Graham Hall, has blended traditional Western world sales and technical and marketing support with low-cost country manufacturing and supply capabilities. The company offers a select range of high-quality ingredients produced primarily in China to the North American food and beverage industry, as well as various international markets.

Website

Symrise has announced the launching of its new redesigned website. The website reflects the changes to the Symrise divisions, which, as part of the new strategic focus, have been consolidated and renamed “Scent & Care” and “Flavor & Nutrition.” The website address is www.symrise.com.

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