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A SECOND GREENTAG CERTIFICATION FOR KOPPERS PERFORMANCE CHEMICALS. MICROPRO WOOD TREATMENT TECHNOLOGY AWARDED GLOBAL GREENTAG, GOLD HEALTH RATING CERTIFICATION.

KOPPERS PERFORMANCE CHEMICALS ANNOUNCES THAT THE MICROPRO WOOD TREATMENT TECHNOLOGY HAS BEEN AWARDED THE GLOBAL GREENTAG, GOLD HEALTH RATING CERTIFICATION

MicroPro® Wood Treatment Technology by Koppers Performance Chemicals has been awarded a **GoldHEALTH** rating with its recently published Global GreenTag Level A Product Health Declaration™ (PhD™). The GreenTag PhD is the first health transparency tool in the world to assess human health concerns directly, rating the health impacts of a final product – and not just the hazards of a product's ingredients.

“Full disclosure by a manufacturer of the toxicity information of a product is a bold move, says David Baggs, Global GreenTag’s CEO and Program Director. “And it is the right thing to do, as it is important to enable the market to make informed and responsible buying decisions. Ultimately, the GoldHEALTH rating awarded in this case reflects the impressive measure to

which Koppers Performance Chemicals has invested in developing and manufacturing a wood treatment technology product that is safe for use around people, pets and plants,” says David. “Koppers is the first and only company to have a wood treatment technology certified by GreenTag. Our MicroPro wood treatment technology has achieved both a GreenTag Level A product certification and now the GoldHEALTH excellent rating. This achievement further confirms that Koppers is committed to produce wood treatment technologies that meet market demands for better products,” says Elias Akle, General Manager Australian Operations. This is important for Building, Design and Procurement Professionals as well as Company Directors who need to mitigate risks on projects for workplace and residential use. They need to discern carefully between products that support user and occupant health and wellbeing, compared with products that don’t.

“A GoldHEALTH rating under the PhD system positions Koppers’ MicroPro® Wood Treatment Technology in the ‘Excellent’ range of health scores, which is a significant outcome,” David Baggs adds. “The product underwent a rigorous assessment procedure that also included comparing MicroPro technology to other ‘treatment technologies’ products that perform the same function.”

“Koppers provided 100% transparency and disclosure of the ingredients of the MicroPro® Wood Treatment Technology, after which the product underwent an investigation by a GreenTag Global Lead Auditor and also a Peer Review by an external Consultant Toxicologist and Member of the Australian College of Toxicology & Risk Assessment.”

MicroPro® Wood Treatment Technology now qualifies to be entered for projects in Australia, New Zealand and globally, registered with the WELL Building Standard™ the wellness focused building program that formally recognises Global GreenTag’s PhD™ under the International WELL Building Institute. The product complies with WELL™ Building Standard Equivalencies of Feature 26: Enhanced Material Safety Part 1 Precautionary Material Selection and Feature 97: Material Transparency Part 1 Material Information. The PhD behind the product also gives it compliance with LEED® Product Disclosure credits.

GLOBAL GREENTAG

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About Koppers

Koppers, with corporate headquarters in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is an integrated global provider of treated wood products, wood treatment chemicals and carbon compounds. Our products and services are used in a variety of niche applications in a diverse range of end-markets, including the railroad, specialty chemical, utility, residential lumber, agriculture, aluminum, steel, rubber, and construction industries. Including our joint ventures, we serve our customers through a comprehensive global manufacturing and distribution network, with facilities located in North America, South America, Australasia, China and Europe. For more information, visit www.koppers.com or <http://www.kopperspc.com.au>