

## Kureha's polyvinylidene fluoride plant completed in China

**Tokyo, Japan, July 4, 2014** – Kureha Corporation (“Kureha”) is pleased to announce the completion of the polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF) manufacturing plant at its wholly owned subsidiary, Kureha (Changshu) Fluoropolymers Co., Ltd. (“KFPC”) in China. An inauguration ceremony was held today at the brand new facility, attended by the representatives from relevant parties and local communities, including Mr. WANG Biao, the mayor of Changshu City.

KFPC was established as Kureha's PVDF manufacturing and sales subsidiary in the Jiangsu Province of China in January 2012, in response to rising demand for the material as a binder in lithium-ion batteries (“LiBs”) as well as an engineering plastic for various industrial uses. Construction of the PVDF plant with a capacity of 5000 tonnes began at KFPC in June 2012. The plant was completed last April and has since started test operation.

The Kureha Group has leveraged its collective expertise and technology of more than four decades to develop and manufacture PVDF products that will meet high-quality requirements of customers and industries. With additional 5000-tonne production capacity in the Chinese plant, the Group has boosted its annual PVDF production capacity up to 9000 tonnes, combining its operation at the Iwaki plant in Japan. This allows the Kureha Group to deliver a stable supply of the material to growing demand worldwide, while strengthening its competitiveness and presence in the global market.



*Completion ceremony for KFPC*



*KFPC Factory*

### Outline of Kureha (Changshu) Fluoropolymers Co., Ltd.

Foundation	January 2012
Location	No. 2 Jieping Road, Advanced Materials Industrial Park, Changshu, Jiangsu Province, China 215522
Capital	US\$ 60 million (100% owned by Kureha Group)
Business description	Manufacturing and sales of polyvinylidene fluoride resins (5000 tonnes per year)
Chairman	Shusuke Matsuo (Board director, Senior vice president and Managing director for PGA and Advanced Materials divisions of Kureha Corporation)
Capital investment	JP¥ 7.5 billion

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