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# 25 years of dedicated climate protection

Certificate presentation at Zschimmer & Schwarz

**Lahnstein, 18 September 2018** – On the occasion of their successful 25-year collaboration, RIGK GmbH presented a certificate to the chemical company Zschimmer & Schwarz from Lahnstein during a small ceremony. For a quarter century, Zschimmer & Schwarz has been using the certified specialist company to recycle used plastic packaging so that it can be reused as valuable raw materials.

"We attach great importance to climate and environmental protection. Responsibility and sustainability are part of our vision," explains Wolfgang Nowak, General Manager at Zschimmer & Schwarz. "That's why we are happy about our collaboration with RIGK at the Lahnstein site for such a long time, as it allows us to actively contribute to the preservation of this world so that it can be worth living in for our future generations. With RIGK, we have the right partner at our side to accomplish this task." In 2017 alone, 39,628 kg of greenhouse gas emissions could be avoided at Zschimmer & Schwarz by returning the plastic packaging material for recycling. This corresponds to the carbon dioxide emissions captured by 2,856 trees in Europe every year. With additional partnerships for recycling of paper sacks and metal packaging, Zschimmer & Schwarz is also implementing other important measures to protect global resources. As a member of Responsible Care, the company is committed to continuous improvement of the environment as well as safety and health aspects. Furthermore, with the RSPO certification, it voluntarily exclusively uses sustainably grown palm oil.



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Awarded for 25 years of climate and environmental protection (from left to right): Wolfgang Nowak (General Manager Zschimmer & Schwarz), Claudia Hoese (Customer Service Industrial RIGK) and Reiner Brückner (Head of EHS Zschimmer & Schwarz)

#### About Zschimmer & Schwarz

Zschimmer & Schwarz is a company with global operations, headquartered in Lahnstein near Koblenz, Germany. The company has been family-owned since its founding in Chemnitz, Germany in 1894. Our core activities include the development, manufacture and delivery of tailor-made chemical auxiliaries for the leather, fur, ceramic, textile and fibre industries. In addition, Zschimmer & Schwarz is one of the leading manufacturers of high-performance chemical specialities and auxiliaries for cosmetics and cleaning applications as well as phosphonates and polymer-based solutions. The corporate group Zschimmer & Schwarz combines 28 companies in 15 countries on five continents, 20 of them with their own production facilities.



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