



## PRESS RELEASE

### Univar Enters Agreement To Sell Dureal

**Rotterdam, The Netherlands – December 4, 2007** – Univar N.V., a world leader in chemical distribution, today announced that it has entered into an agreement with Yara Nederland B.V., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Yara International ASA, based in Oslo, under which Yara will purchase nearly all of Univar Europe's Dureal<sup>®</sup> assets. The transaction is subject to regulatory approvals.

Dureal is Univar's brand for distributing AdBlue<sup>™</sup>, a urea solution, to the European trucking industry through home bases and filling stations. With this sale, Univar is electing to exit the AdBlue market in Europe.

Yara International ASA is the world's leading supplier of mineral fertilizers with particular strength in nitrogen-based fertilizers. Yara International's Air1 brand is the number one producer and supplier of AdBlue in Europe.

The decision to sell its Dureal business assets is part of a larger strategic decision by Univar to focus on its core industrial chemical distribution business. No customer disruption is anticipated during the transition.

The transaction is expected to close by the end of December, 2007.

#### About Univar

Univar N.V. (Euronext Amsterdam: UNIVR) is one of the world's leading independent distributors of industrial chemicals and providers of related specialty services, operating throughout North America and Europe. Univar endeavors to service its customer base, made up of some 250,000 industrial customers, with a full portfolio of products. The majority are commodities that the company buys in bulk, then processes, blends and repacks to meet the diverse requirements of the industries we serve. Others are specialties—purchased pre-packaged and sold on a technical basis, usually under a manufacturer's own brand. As well as differentiating ourselves through our vast product offering, Univar also provides a number of related services, both to its customers and suppliers, such as blending, managing customer inventories, packaging, labeling, warehouse management, waste management, technical support and managing vendor reduction programs. Univar operates a network of over 200 distribution centers, located throughout the United States, Canada, Europe and China. Univar has approximately 7,900 employees based throughout North America, Europe and China. The company's registered office is in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, with administrative support offices in Bellevue, Washington, USA, and Bradford, England, UK. For more information, visit: [www.univarcorp.com](http://www.univarcorp.com)

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