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Accsys announces commercial production of Accoya™ wood

Accsys Technologies PLC ("Accsys" or "the Company") announces that Titan Wood (www.titanwood.com), its 100% owned subsidiary, has successfully commenced the commercial production of Accoya™ wood in the Netherlands.

Following the completion of construction at the end of last year, the eagerly anticipated first batch of Accoya™ rolled smoothly off the production line at Titan Wood's new 30,000 m³ Arnhem facility earlier this month. Quality testing has shown that the material significantly exceeded the Company's key minimum quality standards and as a result the first material produced has been accepted for use in one of the most demanding exterior applications: sheet piling for Dutch canals. Accoya's exceptional durability and dimensional stability makes it the ideal material to withstand exposure to extreme weather conditions.

In the coming weeks the company will focus on optimising the process and begin processing even higher grades of material for use in premium applications such as windows, doors and cladding to meet the demands of its customers, including BSW Timber in UK.

Eddie Pratt, Chief Executive of Accsys, commented: "This is a great milestone for our company and, with construction and commissioning completed in only eleven months, a significant achievement for our team. Our order books are completely solid for the next six months, with sales confirmed in applications including cladding, siding, windows, doors, canal linings and civil construction. Eventually we hope to see Accoya™ used in an even wider range of applications, replacing many other less effective and, equally importantly, less sustainable materials. We are already looking forward to the expansion of our plant which last year's move to the new, larger site has made possible."

With commercial production underway at Arnhem, the Company is now in a position to solidify licence negotiations and fully expects to be in a position to make announcements of Licence agreements during the second quarter.

ACCOYA is a registered trademark owned by Titan Wood Limited

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Notes to Editors

Titan Wood Limited (www.titanwood.com) is wholly owned subsidiary of the Accsys Technologies PLC (www.accsysplc.com) group of companies. Accsys Technologies PLC is listed on the London Stock Exchange AiM market under the symbol 'AXS'.

Wood Acetylation is a process, which increases the amount of 'acetyl' molecules in wood, thereby changing its physical properties. The process protects wood from rot by making it "inedible" to most micro-organisms and insects, without – unlike conventional treatments – making it toxic. It also greatly reduces the wood's tendency to swell and shrink, making it less prone to cracking and ensuring that when painted it requires dramatically reduced maintenance.

Accoya™ wood (www.accoya.info) is produced using a patented process that effectively converts sustainably grown softwoods and non-durable hardwoods into what is best described as a 'new wood species'. Distinguished by its durability, dimensional stability and, perhaps most importantly of all, its reliability (in terms of consistency of both supply and quality), Accoya™ wood is particularly suited to exterior applications where performance and appearance are valued. Unlike most tropical and European hardwoods, its colour does not degrade when exposed to ultraviolet light. Moreover, the Accoya™ wood production process does not compromise the wood's strength or machinability. The combination of UV resistance, dimensional stability, durability and retained strength means that Accoya™ wood offers a wealth of new opportunities to architects, designers and specifiers. For marine uses where weight is also important, Accoya™ wood for the first time provides boat builders with a wood that is strong, lightweight, durable and which retains its natural beauty for far longer.

BSW is the UK's largest sawmilling group which will be the exclusive supplier of Accoya™ in the UK and Ireland.

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