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Brenntag Specialties signs distribution agreement with United-Guardian, Inc. in the U.S. and Canada, unveils expanded sexual wellness product line at California SCC Tradeshow

Brenntag, the global market leader in chemicals and ingredients distribution, today announced a distribution agreement for the U.S. and Canada with United-Guardian for NATRAJEL™, its line of specialty polymers developed specifically for the sexual wellness market, featuring a skin-activated, moisture matrix technology that provides hydration, lubrication and sensory enhancement to water-based formulations.

North American consumers have become more comfortable discussing the topic of sexual wellness and are starting to see it as part of their holistic approach to overall wellbeing, resulting in an increased demand for clean and luxurious products to care for intimate areas of the body. The NATRAJEL™ line are non-irritating, COSMOS-certified hydrogels that can be used in all types of sexual wellbeing formulations – including lubricants, intimate wipes and washes and solutions for vaginal dryness, which align with the needs of clean beauty consumers.

Brenntag Specialties will debut United-Guardian's NATRAJEL™ hydrogels for sexual wellness at California SCC Supplier's Day in Long Beach, California on October 25 and 26, highlighting the NATRAJEL™ line in new personal lubricant, intimate wash and soothing serum formulas to align with Clean Beauty and Sexual Wellness trends.

Maia Navarrete, Senior Director Personal Care Americas at Brenntag Specialties, said: "Brenntag is excited to launch the NATRAJEL™ line developed by United-Guardian for our customers who are looking for safe and effective solutions to unmet consumer needs related to sexual health as a part of their whole-body wellness routine. We've seen a surge in demand for natural and sustainable options and more innovation in the space beyond the standard options typically available in the intimate care and family planning aisles. This partnership with United-Guardian will allow us to meet those needs."

Donna Vigilante, President of United-Guardian, added: "We are excited to begin our partnership with Brenntag and look forward to the NATRAJEL™ line being introduced to their sexual wellness customers. The NATRAJEL™ line was developed to provide the sexual wellness market with natural, COSMOS-approved ingredients. The NATRAJEL™ line offers formulators an innovative way to include hydration, lubrication, sensory enhancement and texture to finished formulations."

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About United Guardian:

United-Guardian is a publicly traded company (NASDAQ: UG) headquartered in Hauppauge, New York, and is a manufacturer of cosmetic ingredients, personal and health care products, and pharmaceuticals.

LUBRAJEL® is a registered trademark of United-Guardian, Inc. NATRAJEL™ is a trademark of United-Guardian, Inc.

About Brenntag:

Brenntag is the global market leader in chemicals and ingredients distribution. The company holds a central role in connecting customers and suppliers of the chemical industry. Headquartered in Essen, Germany, Brenntag has more than 17,500 employees worldwide and operates a network of about 600 sites in 72 countries. In 2022, Brenntag generated sales of around 19.4 billion EUR. The two global divisions, Brenntag Essentials and Brenntag Specialties, provide a full-line portfolio of industrial and specialty chemicals and ingredients as well as tailor-made application, marketing and supply chain solutions, technical and formulation support, comprehensive regulatory know-how, and digital solutions for a wide range of industries. In the field of sustainability, Brenntag pursues specific goals and is committed to sustainable solutions in its own sector and the industries served. Brenntag shares have been listed at the Frankfurt Stock Exchange since 2010, in the DAX since September 2021. In addition, the Brenntag SE shares are listed in the DAX 50 ESG and DAX ESG Target. For more information, visit www.brenntag.com.

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