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For Immediate Release

OxyChem's Ludington, Michigan, Facility Receives the Silliker Good Manufacturing Practices and Food Safety Systems Audit Certificate of Recognition in August 2013.

LUDINGTON, MICHIGAN -- Occidental Chemical Corporation (OxyChem) today announced that its calcium chloride manufacturing plant in Ludington, Michigan, successfully completed the Silliker third-party current Good Manufacturing Practices and Food Safety Systems Audit.

OxyChem, the world's largest producer of calcium chloride, scored 95% on the one-day, on-site audit performed by Silliker on August 15, 2013. The audit included an extensive review of all pertinent documentation, including current Good Manufacturing Practices (cGMP), food defense, food safety programs, Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP), sanitation standard operating procedures (SSOPs) and more. The audit verified that the plant's processes reflect OxyChem's written programs and industry practices in the production of products, including BRINERS CHOICE™ Anhydrous Calcium Chloride Pellets, Food Grade Anhydrous 94-97% Calcium Chloride Pellets and LIQUIDOW™ Food Grade Calcium Chloride Solution.

In addition, Cal-Chlor Corporation's Ludington, Michigan, location scored an 89% on the Silliker current Good Manufacturing Practices and Food Safety Systems Audit. Cal-Chlor Corporation's Ludington facility is the world's largest calcium chloride packaging operation strategic to providing a quality calcium chloride product to the marketplace. The site packages dry calcium chloride produced by OxyChem's Ludington manufacturing plant.

About Silliker

Headquartered in Chicago, Illinois, Silliker is an internationally recognized company with over 45 years experience in the food industry. Silliker provides food safety, quality and nutrition services through Laboratory, Auditing, Consulting, Contract Research and Education services.

About OxyChem

Occidental Chemical Corporation (OxyChem) is the world's largest producer of calcium chloride, a specialty salt that contributes unique performance properties in a diverse range of applications. OxyChem's calcium chloride production facility in Ludington, Michigan, utilizes the abundant supply of naturally occurring brine to produce a variety of liquid and solid calcium chloride products, each processed to meet specific application requirements. OxyChem calcium chloride products are all made in the United States. OxyChem is a subsidiary of Occidental Petroleum Corporation (NYSE: OXY), an international oil and gas exploration and production company. OxyChem has been an active participant

in the American Chemistry Council's Responsible Care® initiative since its inception in 1988, demonstrating a commitment to attaining the highest levels of safety and environmental achievement. Learn more at OxyCalciumChloride.com and OxyChem.com.

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