

## Press release

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### RESOLUTIONS PROPOSED TO ANNUAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING OF RHODIA

**Paris, March 20, 2009** ----- The Board of Directors of Rhodia will submit to the Annual Shareholders' Meeting due to convene on May 20, 2009 a number of draft resolutions including one for the appointment of a new Director.

The different resolutions regarding the membership of the Board of Directors involve:

- ✓ The appointment as a Director of Mr. Patrick Buffet\*, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer of Eramet.
- ✓ The renewal of the Directorships of Messrs Aldo Cardoso, Jean-Pierre Clamadieu, Pascal Colombani, Olivier Legrain and Francis Mer.
- ✓ The appointment of a Director representing employee shareholders, the Board having approved the draft resolution appointing Mr. Jacques Khélif to this position.

If these resolutions are approved, the Board of Directors will be comprised of eleven directors including eight independent members.

Furthermore, the Shareholders Meeting will be asked to approve the agreement between Rhodia and its Chairman & Chief Executive Officer Jean-Pierre Clamadieu, implementing the provisions of the AFEP-MEDEF code of corporate governance for publicly listed companies.

For further details, please visit our institutional website at [www.rhodia.com](http://www.rhodia.com)

\* **Patrick Buffet**, born on October 19, 1953, Chairman and CEO of ERAMET Group, Chairman and CEO of Le Nickel and Member of the Board of Directors of Comilog (companies within the ERAMET Group), since April 2007. He is also Member of the Board of Directors of BANIMMO (Belgium) and Member of the Supervisory Board of BUREAU VERITAS and ARCOLE INDUSTRIES. Between 2001 and April 2007, he was General Delegate, Member of the Executive Committee of Suez and Member of the Supervisory Board of Areva. Between 1998 and 2001, he held the position of Deputy General Manager, Member of the Executive Committee of Suez Lyonnaise des Eaux Group and Société Générale de Belgique. Between 1994 and 1998, he was Industrial Portfolio Manager of Société Générale de Belgique, subsidiary of Suez. Between 1991 and 1994, Patrick Buffet was Industrial Consultant for the French Republic Presidency after his position of Chairman and CEA of Sanders S.A. (1989-1991). He also occupied different positions within the Industry Ministry (Principal Private Secretary of the Energy Secretary, Technical Advisor in several Ministers' Cabinets). Patrick Buffet started his engineer career in the Corps des Mines as Mission Manager for the Rhône-Alpes Préfet, and then as Project Manager (Responsable « Grands Projets ») within the General Department for Energy and Raw Materials (Direction Générale de l'Energie et des Matières Premières).



***Rhodia** is an international chemical company resolutely committed to sustainable development. As a leader in its businesses, the Group aims to improve its customers' performance through the pursuit of operational excellence and its ability to innovate. Structured around six Enterprises, Rhodia is the partner of major players in the automotive, electronics, flavors and fragrances, health, personal and home care markets, consumer goods and industrial markets. The Group employs around 14,500 people worldwide and generated sales of €4.8 billion in 2008. Rhodia is listed on Euronext Paris.*

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