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Information on the financing of the observation period of Kem One

On March 27th 2013, the Lyon commercial court opened insolvency proceedings with continuation of activities for a six-month observation period against the company Kem One SAS.

As part of the financing of the observation period, Arkema points out that its contribution amounts to €68.7 million.

A part of this amount corresponds to the payment of contractual adjustments to the selling price, which were provisioned for in the financial statements at December 31st 2012. The balance corresponds to certain guarantees granted by the Group to third parties and made available to Kem One during the observation period.

The Group's overall exposure to Kem One SAS remains estimated at an amount close to €125 million in total. Accordingly, Arkema will book a non-recurring charge in its 1st quarter 2013 financial statements for an equivalent amount.

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