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BERRY GLOBAL, PYLOTE ANNOUNCE PARTNERSHIP FOR NEW OPHTHALMIC DROPPER

Collaboration introduces first-to-market ophthalmic multidose dropper to help avoid the risk of microbial infections for patients



BERRY GLOBAL, a leading provider of innovative packaging and engineered products, and **PYLOTE**, a key player in the industrial mineral chemistry, announced today a strategic commercial partnership to address the need for innovative antimicrobial packaging solutions that are more sustainable, cleaner and safer for Patients and Consumers.

Following successful joint evaluations, **BERRY GLOBAL** and **PYLOTE** are launching a first-to-market offering with a unique multidose ophthalmic dropper combining high barrier with unique antimicrobial protection properties. This new offer combines PYLOTE's mineral breakthrough innovation that helps protect patients/users from the risk of microbial infections with BERRY GLOBAL's expertise in design of sustainable healthcare packaging.

Thanks to the mineral antimicrobial technology of PYLOTE, this new multidose ophthalmic dropper is notably proven effective against *Adenovirus type 3 Virus (conjunctivitis), Escherichia Coli* and *Staphylococcus aureus* bacteria.

This common breakthrough product offers the market with unprecedented competitive advantages in terms of patients' protection, time-to-market and sustainability, while offering significant benefits:

- Proven and certified mineral antimicrobial protection of dropper tip where over 85% of the contamination of the drops is found according to a clinical study^{*}
- Allows patients to have hygienic applications for every use with a multidose dropper

^{*} Nentwich et al, Br J Ophthalmol 91(10): 1265-68

- Reduces the amount of plastic waste by 16 times for one month treatment compared to monodose solutions
- No change in patient treatment methods
- Fully compliant, stable and biocompatible while certified non-irritant and non-cytotoxic technology (ISO10993:2010).
- No modifications required to packaging design or existing manufacturing/filling processes

Mandy McCain, Head of Berry Global Healthcare Division, commented on the announcement: *"This new partnership is incredibly exciting for us in the world of Ophthalmics to further protect patients, provide them comfort while dispensing the drug and supporting further adherence to their treatments. This disruptive antimicrobial technology from Pylote combined with our market leading ophthalmic packaging design is a first-to-market for multidose droppers with added sustainability benefits, and is one significant example of our customer promise – Innovation for the World. Solutions for You. We believe that this collaboration is an important first step in delivering the future innovation for ophthalmic patients and their healthcare providers. <i>"*

Loïc Marchin, CEO of PYLOTE, commented on the announcement: "Partnering with BERRY GLOBAL is a major step in our strategy to protect people with a shared sustainable commitment. BERRY GLOBAL offers a rich portfolio of healthcare devices for many applications. Our mineral technology, positively perceived by consumers, is an effective, robust and safe disruptive antimicrobial solution. I see tremendous value for existing and potential patients from our combined offerings in the combination of our two expertises. We are now able to provide fully operational, responsible and safe solutions with an immediate impact on patient safety and comfort."

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ABOUT PYLOTE TECHNOLOGY EFFECTIVENESS

- Immediate, stable and permanent action with efficiency tested in independent laboratory on SARS CoV-2 and its Delta variant (>96% in 1h) and on bacteria (>99,999% in 24h + Tests in real conditions in situ with important circulation of people).
- Efficacy against other viruses such as influenza H1-N1, gastroenteritis, herpes and conjunctivitis, as well as many Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria.
- Mineral and biocompatible technology: no irritation for the skin (ISO10993-10) & non cytotoxic ISO10993-5).
- Technology certified Food Contact according to the EU regulation 1935/2004.
- Technology robustness validated in real conditions of use and drastic simulations without loss of efficiency
- Patented worldwide, from process to application
- Already activating the surface of self-adhesive films in more than 26 countries and high protection UNS1 fabric masks

ABOUT BERRY GLOBAL: At Berry Global Group, Inc. (NYSE:BERY), we create innovative packaging and engineered products that we believe make life better for people and the planet. We do this every day by leveraging our unmatched global capabilities, sustainability leadership, and deep innovation expertise to serve customers of all sizes around the world. Harnessing the strength in our diversity and industry leading talent of 47,000 global employees across more than 300 locations, we partner with customers to develop, design, and manufacture innovative products with an eye toward the circular economy. The challenges we solve and the innovations we pioneer benefit our

customers at every stage of their journey. For more information, visit our <u>website</u>, or connect with us on <u>LinkedIn</u> or <u>Twitter</u>.

ABOUT PYLOTE - Founded in 2009 and based in Toulouse (France), PYLOTE is a key player in the cleantech industrial mineral chemistry, globally recognized by its in-house breakthrough and sustainable innovation. Pylote is developing, producing and selling a unique natural protection solution patented from process to applications that solves issues faced by consumers with regards to safety, hygiene and sustainability. By focusing on market differentiation, PYLOTE supports its clients in the pharmaceutical, cosmetic, food and industrial markets for regulatory, marketing and industrial steps to generate a powerful value proposition in a quick time to market, without neither investment nor change in the current <u>manufacturing process</u>. Since 2016, the PYLOTE innovation, which is in compliance with the FDA, cosmetic, pharmaceutical, food, international regulations and Food contact approved, has been repeatedly and internationally awarded-winning: Pharmapack Award, CPhI Pharma Award, the Oscar of Packaging for Food Applications, Trophy of CSR Solutions, MakeUp in New York Tree Innovation Award. <u>More information about Pylote in our website:</u> www.pylote.com



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