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Schütz is part of the BASF „Helping Hands“ initiative

Selters (hds). The corona pandemic requires the strictest hygienic measures – particularly in clinics, doctors’ surgeries and nursing homes. All around the world, disinfectant has become scarce and more supplies are urgently needed. With its “Helping Hands” project, BASF is taking an unbureaucratic approach to closing the supply gap: the company is providing hand disinfectant free of charge to hospitals in the Rhein-Neckar metropolitan region. Schütz welcomes and supports this exemplary project initiated by its long standing customer and is supplying every second IBC for this project free of charge.

For the temporary production at the group’s main site in Ludwigshafen all legal and technical conditions had to be met as hand disinfectant had not been part of the BASF product range in the past. The company has the necessary know-how and some of the raw materials for production. The raw materials in stock were reassigned at short notice and further still required raw materials were purchased externally. The IBCs for the disinfectant were supplied by Schütz. These IBCs comply with the latest packaging safety requirements for sensitive hygiene products. In support and recognition of this project, the company is supplying every second container without charge to BASF. To facilitate the additional capacities and ensure the necessary supply security, production at the headquarters in Selters is now running at full speed on the weekends. “With ‘Helping Hands’, we are implementing another important project together in our long standing partnership with BASF. We are pleased to be able to help“, said Veit Enders, Management of Schütz, about this project.

As an environmentally friendly bonus, the IBCs are collected free of charge from end users by the Schütz Ticket Service and recycled internally as part of the sustainable reconditioning process.

The demand is so high that BASF is now successively expanding its production and supply scope: after initially supplying hospitals with intensive care and ventilation facilities, the disinfectants are now also being supplied to medical practices. Depending on current daily availability, BASF intends to gradually roll out supplies to other areas of the health care system in the Rhein-Neckar region.

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Caption: Special preventative measures during production – to ensure the IBCs comply with the latest packaging safety requirements for sensitive hygiene products.
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Schütz is a leading international producer of high-quality transport packaging (Intermediate Bulk Containers, PE and steel drums). The Group's headquarters are in Selters, Germany. Founded in 1958, Schütz employs over 6000 people at more than 50 production and service sites around the world (including licensees). The four Schütz business units, Packaging Systems, Energy Systems, Industrial Services and Composites, each hold leading positions in their respective markets. The family-run enterprise is an important trendsetter and innovator. The Group's turnover in 2018 was 1.8 billion euros. Schütz offers its customers full system solutions that are tailored to their individual supply chain. With the Schütz Ticket Service, a closed-loop cycle of speedy collection and reconditioning for used Schütz IBCs, Schütz provides all of the world's major industrial nations with a service that fully complies with the Group's sustainability philosophy.

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