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## **MPHC announces Q1, 2015 planned shut-down schedule**

**DOHA, QATAR** - Mesaieed Petrochemical Holding Company ("MPHC" or "the group"; QE: MPHC), a subsidiary of Qatar Petroleum partially floated on the Qatar Exchange, and one of the region's premier diversified petrochemical conglomerates with interests in the production of olefins, polyolefins, alpha olefins and chlor-alkali products, confirmed its planned shut-down timetable for the first quarter of 2015 for its production facilities. Included in the schedule are the first planned major maintenance shut-downs for MPHC's newest facilities, RLOC and Q-Chem II:

- Ethylene: 40 days
- HDPE: 40 days
- NAO: 40 days
- Pygas, C3, C4, others: 40 days
- Caustic Soda: 18 days
- EDC: 18 days
- VCM: 45 days

This shut-down schedule is indicative of current plans only, and actual downtime may vary from the latest plan.

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Cash Realisation Ratio:  $\text{Cash Flow From Operations} / \text{Net Profit} \times 100$  • Debt to Equity:  $(\text{Current Debt} + \text{Long-Term Debt}) / \text{Equity} \times 100$  • Dividend Yield:  $\text{Total Cash Dividend} / \text{Closing Market Capitalisation} \times 100$  • EDC: Ethylene Dichloride • EPS: Earnings per Share ( $\text{Net Profit} / \text{Number of Ordinary Shares outstanding at the year end}$ ) • EBITDA: Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Depreciation and Amortisation • Free Cash Flow:  $\text{Cash Flow From Operations} - \text{Total CAPEX}$  • HCL: Hydrochloric Acid • HDPE: High Density Polyethylene • NAO: Normal Alpha Olefins • NaOH: Caustic Soda • MT / PA: Metric Tons Per Annum • Payout Ratio:  $\text{Total Cash Dividend} / \text{Net Profit} \times 100$  • P/E: Price to Earnings ( $\text{Closing market capitalisation} / \text{Net Profit}$ ) • Utilisation:  $\text{Production Volume} / \text{Rated Capacity} \times 100$  • VCM: Vinyl Chloride Monomer

## **ABOUT MPHC:**

Mesaieed Petrochemical Holding Company Q.S.C. ("MPHC") was incorporated as a Qatari joint stock company on May 29, 2013 with an agreed effective date for the transfer of Qatar Petroleum's previous shareholding in the joint ventures of September 1, 2013. The registered office is located at P.O. Box 3212, Doha, State of Qatar. The main activity of MPHC is to act as a holding company: (i) Q-Chem is currently owned by MPHC (49%), Chevron Phillips Chemical International Qatar Holdings L.L.C. ("CPCIQH") (49%) and QP (2%), and has one wholly-owned subsidiary, Q-Chem Distribution Company Limited, which engages in the sale and distribution of all of Q-Chem's products through agency agreements with Muntajat and Chevron Phillips Chemical International Sales, Inc. ("CPCIS"); (ii) Q-Chem II is currently owned by MPHC (49%), CPCIQH (49%) and QP (2%), and has one wholly-owned subsidiary, Q-Chem II Distribution Company Limited, which is engaged in the sale and distribution of all of Q-Chem II's products through agency agreements with Qapco and CPCIS, and an effective ownership interest of 53.85% in a joint venture, Ras Laffan Olefins Cracker Company Limited, which supplies ethylene to Q-Chem II; and (iii) QVC, which was incorporated in 1997 as a joint venture, and is currently owned by MPHC (55.2%), Qapco (31.9%) and QP (12.9%).