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Clariant acknowledges the closing of the Stahl transaction between Wendel SE and Henkel

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Clariant, a sustainability-focused specialty chemical company, today took note of the successful closing between Stahl Group's majority and controlling owner Wendel SE and Henkel. The existing shareholder agreement included a contractual obligation for Clariant as minority shareholder to participate in the transaction following the notification from Wendel SE.

Clariant held a minority stake of 14.6 % in Stahl Group. Based on today's closing, Clariant's participation results in a preliminary cash proceed of CHF ~ 220 m pre-tax.

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