

## **Leverton Lithium and HELM AG join forces to expand Lithium production in Europe**

**10. January 2022 – Basingstoke, UK and Hamburg, Germany.** Major chemicals organisation HELM and Lithium chemicals producer Leverton announce the formation of a joint venture called **LevertonHELM** to scale up manufacturing capacity of battery grade Lithium chemicals in Europe.

UK company Leverton is an established producer of high-quality Lithium chemicals with a worldwide customer base across demanding industrial applications. With operations in over thirty countries, Germany-based HELM is one of the world's largest chemical marketing companies with considerable expertise in global supply chain management.

The new joint venture LevertonHELM is effective immediately, and as a first step will combine Leverton's current manufacturing facilities in a new site in Basingstoke UK, allowing for expansion to 20kMT of high-quality Lithium chemicals.

Martin Kuzaj – Member of the Executive Board, HELM AG:

*HELM is excited to be partnering with Leverton in line with our long-term strategic direction to become an integral part of the battery value chain. We feel the two companies are a natural fit and share a common understanding and vision for the future.*

David Hicks – CEO, Leverton Lithium:

*The Lithium industry is developing rapidly, and we are delighted to be joined by HELM as our company continues to grow. Working together, we are looking forward to responding to industry challenges and increasing our ability to provide large-scale manufacturing of battery grade chemicals.*

### **About HELM:**

HELM is a Hamburg, Germany, based family-owned company established in 1900. HELM is one of the world's largest chemicals marketing companies and offers services not only in marketing but also in logistics and distribution to fully meet the needs of its partners. The company secures access to the world's key markets through its specific regional knowledge and subsidiaries, sales offices and participations around the globe. As a multifunctional marketing organization HELM is active in the chemicals industry, in the crop protection and crop nutrition industries and in pharmaceuticals.

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**About Leverton Lithium:**

Leverton has been a manufacturer of high-quality Lithium chemicals for 45 years. Today the company has a global customer base across 60 different countries and manufactures from two sites in Basingstoke, UK.

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