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## AMERICAN CHEMISTRY COUNCIL CONGRATULATES AND WELCOMES PRESIDENT BIDEN AND VICE PRESIDENT HARRIS

WASHINGTON (January 20, 2021) – *The American Chemistry Council (ACC) issued the following statement that may be attributed to [ACC President and CEO Chris Jahn](#), following the inauguration and swearing in of President Biden and Vice President Harris.*

“ACC and its members welcome the inauguration of President Biden and Vice President Harris as the culmination of a fair, transparent, and secure democratic election. Hearing the words of the Presidential Oath of Office is a welcome reminder of the commitments each of us holds to our country, to our professions, and to one another as Americans.

“As President Biden and Vice President Harris pledge their commitment to the citizens of the United States, the U.S. chemical and plastics industry pledges our commitment to work with Democrats, Republicans, NGOs, and Americans of all political stripes to find common ground on the solutions needed to help solve the world’s most pressing challenges. From chemistry’s unique role in [defeating COVID-19](#), to [combating climate change](#), to [improving sustainability](#) and [protecting the health and safety](#) of people worldwide, the stakes could not be higher – and the ability of the Biden Administration and chemical industry to work together to develop solutions, more imperative.”

“The next four years promise to be transformative, and U.S. chemical and plastic resin manufacturers intend to lead by example. Instead of disagreement and discord, ACC and its members look forward to forging new relations that enable our industry to continue to innovate and create American jobs. Where there has been inequality, we intend to double down on our values to help support policies, programs, and people that enable the continued contributions of chemistry to our society through diversity, inclusiveness and respect.”

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*The American Chemistry Council (ACC) represents the leading companies engaged in the business of chemistry. ACC members apply the science of chemistry to make innovative products and services that make people's lives better, healthier and safer. ACC is committed to improved environmental, health and safety performance through Responsible Care®; common sense advocacy designed to address major public policy issues; and health and environmental research and product testing. The business of chemistry is a \$565 billion enterprise and a key element of the nation's economy. It is among the largest exporters in the nation, accounting for ten percent of all U.S. goods exports. Chemistry companies are among the largest investors in research and development. Safety and security have always been primary concerns of ACC members, and they have intensified their efforts, working closely with government agencies to improve security and to defend against any threat to the nation's critical infrastructure.*

