

## Press Release

### Dr. Murray Named VP and Director ELANTAS Global Technology Development

**St. Louis, MO, February 11, 2020** – ELANTAS PDG, Inc. (EPDG) announces the promotion of Dr. Thomas Murray to Vice President and Director of ELANTAS Global Technology Development. In his new role, Dr. Murray will be responsible for scouting and executing key technology projects run by ELANTAS globally. He will continue to lead the Basic Research team of ELANTAS PDG, Inc. as part of the global innovation workforce and be responsible for the EPDG analytical lab. Dr. Murray continues to provide technology support to key EPDG customers with his valuable contributions.

Dr. Thomas Murray has been working for ELANTAS PDG, Inc. since December 2001 and has made significant contributions not only to EPDG but also to the ELANTAS business in bringing key technologies to life. Among many others, his work has been honored with the ALTANA Innovation Award in 2016 for the development of the ELAN-Film® flexible insulation concept.

Ronald Goetter, currently responsible for Applied R&D, will take over part of Dr. Murray's responsibilities and will lead Applied R&D, Technical Service, Application Technology and Plant Support Teams for both EPDG sites in St. Louis and Olean.

Goetter joined ELANTAS PDG, Inc. in 1999 and has been instrumental in successfully leading the Applied R&D team and supporting Dr. Murray in his previous role.

#### **About ALTANA:**

ALTANA is a global leader in true specialty chemicals. The Group offers innovative, environmentally compatible solutions for coating manufacturers, paint and plastics processors, the printing and packaging industries, the cosmetics sector and the electrical and electronics industry. The product range includes additives, special coatings and adhesives, effect pigments, sealants and compounds, impregnating resins and varnishes, and testing and measuring instruments. ALTANA's four divisions, BYK, ECKART, ELANTAS, and ACTEGA, all occupy a leading position in their target markets with respect to quality, product solution expertise, innovation and service.

Headquartered in Wesel, Germany, the ALTANA Group has 47 production facilities and 60 service and research laboratories worldwide. Throughout the Group about 6,400 people work to ensure the worldwide success of ALTANA. In 2018, ALTANA achieved sales of €2.3 billion. About 7 percent of sales are invested in research and development every year. Its high earning power and high growth rate make ALTANA one of the most innovative, fastest growing, and profitable chemical companies in the world.

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#### **About ELANTAS:**

ELANTAS produces insulating materials for the electrical and electronics industry. They are found in electric motors, household appliances, cars, generators, transformers, capacitors, digital cameras, wind mills, computers, lamps, circuit boards, and sensors, and

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help to ensure that product design engineers can construct ever smaller and more powerful electronic devices, thus saving materials and energy.

The ALTANA division, which is managed by a holding company headquartered in Wesel, Germany, has nine independent manufacturing companies in all major regions worldwide. In 2016, ELANTAS employed a total workforce of 976 people.

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