# Platform Specialty Products snaps up Chemtura's worldwide agrichemical businesses

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<u>Greenberg Traurig LLP</u>'s Chicago and Fort Lauderdale offices, Brazil's <u>Pinheiro Neto Advogados</u> and Argentine firm <u>Estudio Beccar Varela</u> have helped US chemicals company Platform Specialty Products acquire agrichemical businesses controlled by US counterpart Chemtura in a 36-jurisdiction deal spanning Oceania, central and eastern Asia, Africa, Europe and the Americas.

Platform paid US\$950 million in cash and US\$50 million in equity in the deal, which closed in a 24-hour period starting in Oceania and finishing in Latin America on 3 November. Chemtura sought counsel from Debevoise & Plimpton LLP in New York and Washington, DC and from seven Eversheds LLP offices. Vizioli & Triolo Abogados and <u>TozziniFreire Advogados</u> advised the seller on the transaction's Argentine and Brazilian legs respectively.

The transaction also required the restructuring of business units in a number of jurisdictions and the transfer of production registrations and custom services.

No other Latin American counsel could be confirmed prior to publication, but the deal included Bolivian, Chilean, Colombia, Costa Rican, Ecuadorean, Mexican, Nicaraguan, Paraguayan and Peruvian legs. Of these, only Colombia, Ecuador and Mexico included sold or transferred entities, while the remainder are involved in the transaction as a result of Chemtura's product registrations.

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