Cranbury, NJ – July 31, 2014–Solvay recently learned of an attempted fraudulent use of the company’s name and the former Rhodia name in connection with fictitious employee recruitment programs.

The suspect correspondence, received by individuals around the United States, invites recipients to apply for non-existent job openings with opportunities to work from home or at locations where Solvay in fact has no facilities.

Some recipients are also advised that certain software products will be purchased on their behalf---using applicants’ banking or credit card information---so that their prospective work assignments can be completed from home. In other cases, recipients are asked for their personal bank account information so that future payroll deposits can be made directly to their personal accounts.

This correspondence is a hoax, with no connection whatsoever to Solvay, Rhodia or any of Solvay’s business units, subsidiaries or business partners, anywhere in the world.

Recipients of the correspondence should not respond to the employment invitation, and are urged to contact Solvay at +1-609-860-3439 and leave a detailed message about their incident or email inquiries.

Solvay has notified law enforcement authorities who have launched an investigation.

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