

Annual Shareholders' Meeting of Evonik Industries AG, Essen on Tuesday May 20, 2014 at 10 a.m. (Central European Summer Time — CEST) Venue: Grugahalle, Norbertstraße, 45131 Essen, Germany

Explanation on Item 1 of the Agenda

The Supervisory Board has approved the annual financial statements and the consolidated financial statements prepared on February 27, 2014 by the Executive Board pursuant to Section 172 Sentence 1 of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) on March 6, 2014 and thus approved the annual financial statements. Therefore, the Annual Shareholders' Meeting does not need to approve the annual financial statements or the consolidated financial statements pursuant to Section 173 Section 1 AktG. The annual financial statements, the consolidated financial statements, the combined management report for the Evonik Group and Evonik Industries AG and the report of the Supervisory Board shall be made available to the Annual Shareholders' Meeting, along with the explanatory report of the Executive Board on the information pursuant to Section 289 Paragraph 4 and 5, Section 315 Paragraph 4 of the German Commercial Code (HGB), without the need for a resolution within the meaning of the AktG.