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Polyclar™ stabilizers are helping breweries produce highest quality beers

Ashland's Polyclar line to be showcased at IBD's 33rd Asia Pacific Convention

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam - Amid the world's biggest and fastest-growing beer market, brewers in the Asia Pacific region are looking for clear and more stable beverages with long-lasting shelf life. At the upcoming Institute of Brewing & Distilling (IBD) Asia Pacific Section's 33rd Convention in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, March 23-28, Ashland Specialty Ingredients, a commercial unit of Ashland Inc. (NYSE: ASH), will showcase Polyclar™ stabilizers, a leading brand in polyphenol stabilization for beer.

Ashland Polyclar stabilizers are a highly effective means of preventing the development of colloidal haze and loss of clarity caused by polyphenols in beer, thus extending the shelf life. Among a variety of grades, Polyclar stabilizers are designed for single use or to be recoverable by filtration, as in the case of Polyclar Super R regeneration-grade beer stabilizer.

"Polyclar Super R stabilizer is a unique product optimized for use after primary filtration, recovered and regenerated in a candle filter, whether used on its own or in conjunction with other stabilizers," explains **PS Chiang**, brewmaster, Asia Pacific, Ashland Specialty Ingredients. "Ashland's 50 years of expertise providing wort clarifiers and beer stabilizers to the brewing industry is helping customers achieve the highest quality product."

Le Thanh Hieu, country manager, Vietnam, Ashland Specialty Ingredients, commented, "Customers are excited about this technology. Building on our reputation for solid technical service and strong relationships with our customers, we are looking forward to networking with peers, discussing critical issues and better understanding their brewing challenges."

IBD is recognized as the world's leading member organization for the advancement of education and training in the science and technology of brewing, distilling and related industries.

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About Ashland Specialty Ingredients

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