

Taiyo and DSM announce Teavigo EGCg licensing agreement

Taiyo Kagaku Co Ltd (Taiyo) and DSM, a leading global manufacturer and marketer of nutritional ingredients and have entered into a licensing deal, effective July 1, 2014, which will transfer the entirety of the Teavigo brand EGCg business to Taiyo. Under terms of the deal, Taiyo will become the sole producer of Teavigo by the end of 2014.

Teavigo brand EGCg had previously been distributed under license by Pharmachem Laboratories, Inc. (Pharmachem) in the dietary supplement segment and by DSM in the food and beverage segments. Under terms of the agreement, Taiyo will take responsibility for all customer segments, globally.

“Taiyo is aware that DSM put a lot of thought into this decision. With its shift in corporate focus, DSM was careful in its selection of a company that would carry on the Teavigo production and customer support. Taiyo is proud that DSM chose us to maintain and advance the Teavigo business,” said Scott Smith, vice president, Taiyo International.

“Teavigo brand EGCg is a perfect addition to our existing Suntheanine and Sunphenon green tea portfolio. It meets Taiyo’s high standards for providing efficacious, research-backed ingredients for the food, beverage and supplement clients that are of unparalleled quality.”

During the transitional period, DSM, Pharmachem and Taiyo, will collectively work together to allow for an orderly transition for all Teavigo customers and are dedicated to assure an uninterrupted supply of Teavigo EGCg.

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About Taiyo:

Taiyo is a leading manufacturer of functional ingredients for the food, beverage and supplement industries. Taiyo focuses on the development of innovative ingredients, derived from natural sources, to further develop the body’s ability to protect and manage one’s health. Products include Sunphenon® (full range of solvent- and pesticide-compliant green tea catechins), Suntheanine® (L-theanine, a unique amino acid which promotes calm focus and concentration without drowsiness) and Sunfiber®, a true regulating galactomannan soluble dietary fiber.

About DSM – Bright Science. Brighter Living™:

Royal DSM is a global science-based company active in health, nutrition and materials. By connecting its unique competences in Life Sciences and Materials Sciences DSM is driving economic prosperity, environmental progress and social advances to create sustainable value for all stakeholders simultaneously. DSM delivers innovative solutions that nourish, protect and improve performance in global markets such as food and dietary supplements, personal care, feed, medical devices, automotive, paints, electrical and electronics, life protection, alternative

energy and bio-based materials. DSM's 24,500 employees deliver annual net sales of around €10 billion. The company is listed on NYSE Euronext. More information can be found at www.dsm.com.