

News Release

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THIS ANNOUNCEMENT CONTAINS INSIDE INFORMATION.

Minerals Technologies Announcement Regarding Elementis plc ("Elementis")

NEW YORK, November 12, 2020 – Minerals Technologies Inc. (NYSE: MTX) ("MTI" or "the Company") notes the recent market speculation and movement in the share price of Elementis and confirms that it made an approach on 5 November 2020 to the Board of Elementis regarding a possible all-cash offer for Elementis. The Elementis Board notified Minerals Technologies on 10 November 2020 that this approach had been rejected.

Minerals Technologies' proposal comprised an all-cash offer of 107 pence per Elementis share, representing a premium of approximately:

- 31% to Elementis' closing share price of 81.70 pence on 4 November 2020; and
- 47% to Elementis' 90 trading-day volume weighted average share price of 72.66 pence as of market close on 4 November 2020.

Minerals Technologies is currently considering its position. There can be no certainty that any further proposal or firm offer will be made, nor as to the terms of any further proposal or firm offer. However, any offer would be likely to be solely in cash.

In accordance with Rule 2.6(a) of the Code, Minerals Technologies must, by not later than 5.00 p.m. (London time) on 10 December 2020, either announce a firm intention to make an offer in accordance with Rule 2.7 of the Code or announce that it does not intend to make an offer, in which case the announcement will be treated as a statement to which Rule 2.8 of the Code applies. This deadline may be extended with the consent of the Panel on Takeovers and Mergers in accordance with Rule 2.6(c) of the Code. The deadline shall cease to apply, by virtue of Rule 2.6(b) of the Code, where a firm intention to make an offer for Elementis under Rule 2.7 of the Code is announced by an offeror (other than Minerals Technologies) prior to such deadline.

In accordance with Rule 2.5 of the Code, Minerals Technologies reserves the right to:

- 1. vary the form and/or mix of the consideration described in this announcement; and
- 2. make an offer on less favourable terms than those described in this announcement:

- with the recommendation or consent of the Board of Elementis;
- if Elementis announces, declares or pays a dividend or any other distribution or return of capital to its shareholders after this announcement (in which case Minerals Technologies reserves the right to make an equivalent reduction to the proposed price);
- if a third party announces a firm intention to make an offer for Elementis on less favourable terms than those set out in this announcement; or
- following the announcement by Elementis of a whitewash transaction pursuant to the Code.

A further announcement will be made as appropriate.

About Minerals Technologies

New York-based Minerals Technologies is a global resource- and technology-based company that develops, produces and markets a broad range of specialty mineral, mineral-based and synthetic mineral products and related systems and services. Minerals Technologies serves the paper, foundry, steel, construction, environmental, energy, polymer and consumer products industries. The Company reported sales of \$1.8 billion in 2019. For further information, please visit our website at <u>www.mineralstech.com</u>.

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