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### **CEO Speaks at US Society of Plastics Engineers Conference**

Symphony Environmental Technologies Plc announces that its CEO, Michael Laurier, was invited to speak at the prestigious Annual Conference of the Society of Plastics Engineers (SPE) in Pittsburgh USA on 24th September 2025.

SPE is the leading technical society for the global plastics industry. It fosters technical innovation and industry competitiveness through scientific development and commercialization. With over 22,500 members from 84 different countries, SPE is the largest and best-known plastics professional society in the world.

Michael Laurier said:

Banning plastics would be catastrophic - and ineffective. Plastics are essential for preserving food, protecting crops, and reducing waste. The real issue is the plastic that lingers in the environment, breaking down into microplastics and lasting for decades.

The solution isn't less plastic - it's smarter plastic. Products made with Symphony's d2w masterbatch degrade quickly after use, breaking down and biodegrading on land or sea. This technology not only offers an immediately scalable solution, it prevents long-term accumulation without disrupting supply chains or daily life.

With less than 9% of global plastic waste being recycled, traditional "reduce-reuse-recycle" strategies fall short. We need materials that work with the world as it is - not as we wish it were.

Symphony has led the development of d2w® oxo-biodegradable technology for over 25 years, transforming conventional plastics into biodegradable materials that outperform alternatives.

Unlike standard plastics, d2w contains a catalyst that accelerates oxidation and enables biodegradation - leaving no microplastics or toxic residues. The process converts polymers into short-chain molecules which can be consumed by microbes, leaving only water, CO<sub>2</sub>, and biomass.

d2w plastics use only 1% masterbatch, can be recycled, and meet global standards including ASTM D6954, BS 8472, and AFNOR T51-808. Independent studies show over 90% biodegradation with no harm to plants, earthworms, or endocrine systems.

EU regulations ban oxo-degradable plastics which do not properly biodegrade - not oxo-biodegradable plastics like d2w. Extensive global research confirms d2w's safety and efficacy.

It is time for the plastics industry to embrace and promote this scientifically proven solution.

The reaction at the conference was very positive with several enquiries about involvement through sales and distribution and regulatory support.

### **NOTES TO EDITORS**

Symphony also supplies a range of plastic technologies under its d2p (designed to protect) brand [www.d2p.net](http://www.d2p.net) to provide protection against insects, viruses, bacteria, fungi, rodents, odours, and fire. It has also introduced a new product under its NbR brand <https://www.symphonyenvironmental.com/natural-biodegradable-resin/> to reduce the amount of fossil-derived material in plastic products.

Symphony has a diverse and growing customer-base and has established itself as an international business with over 70 distributors around the world. Products made with Symphony's plastic technologies are now available in nearly 100 countries and in many different product applications. Symphony itself is certified according to ISO9001 and ISO14001.

Symphony participates in the Committee work of the British Standards Institute (BSI), the American Standards Organisation (ASTM), the European Standards Organisation (CEN), and the International Standards Organisation (ISO).

Further information on the Group can be found at [www.symphonyenvironmental.com](http://www.symphonyenvironmental.com) and twitter @SymphonyEnv

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