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Directa Plus plc
 (“Directa Plus” or the “Company”)

Graphene Plus textiles certified as ‘non-irritating’ for human skin

Directa Plus plc (AIM: DCTA), a producer and supplier of graphene-based products for use in consumer and industrial markets, is pleased to announce that its Graphene Plus (G+) membrane and G+ printed fabrics have received international certification from Complife Italia Srl (formerly ‘Farcoderm Srl’) (“Complife”), the independent toxicity testing organisation, confirming that they do not cause any irritation to human skin.

Complife is a specialist testing agency that assesses safety, tolerability and sensory aspects of all products that may come in contact with human skin. The Company’s G+ membrane and printed fabrics were dermatologically tested by Complife, involving 48-hour patch tests on 25 individuals, and certified as ‘non-irritating’. This complements previous tests conducted by Complife (then operating as Farcoderm) on all of Directa Plus’ graphene-based materials, which were certified as safe for human contact.

Giulio Cesareo, Chief Executive Officer of Directa Plus, said: “We are pleased to have our G+ membrane and printed fabrics proven to be non-irritating to human skin. This adds to the certification we received last year that our graphene-based materials are non-toxic and non-cytotoxic. With our Graphene Plus textiles, our customers can truly differentiate their products as innovative, performance-enhancing and comfortable to wear. We have always prided ourselves on the safety and environmental credentials of our production processes and graphene-based products, and this new certification further represents that commitment.”

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About Directa Plus

Directa Plus is one of the largest producers and suppliers of graphene-based products for use in consumer and industrial markets worldwide. By incorporating Directa Plus’ unique graphene blends, identified by the G+ brand, its customers can enhance the performance of their end products without significantly increasing their cost. Directa Plus graphene-based products are natural, chemical-free, sustainably produced and tailored to specific customer requirements for commercial applications such as smart textiles, tyres, composite materials and environmental solutions.

Established in 2005, the Company has a patented technology process and a scalable and exportable manufacturing model. It produces graphene-based products at its own factory in Lomazzo, Italy, and can set up additional production at customer locations to reduce transport costs, waste and time-to-utilisation. Directa Plus partners with customers to enable them to offer the high-performance benefits of graphene in their own products.