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Positive for the planet and easy to use: BERICAP presents its closures portfolio at FACHPACK 2024

Budenheim – August 30, 2024 – At this year’s FACHPACK from September 24 to 26, 2024 in Nuremberg BERICAP will be showcasing sustainable closures for industrial, food and beverage applications that are both safe and consumer-friendly. The leading manufacturer of plastic and aluminum closures will be presenting its product portfolio at exhibition booth no. 151 in hall 6, including new lightweight closures for the agricultural sector, sport caps in a mono-material design, the tamper-evident Ring Peel Liner and the Clip Aside tethered caps, which are now the standard in the European market and ideal for ensuring compliance with new requirements in the milk and dairy segment.

Sustainability is top of agenda

BERICAP is absolutely committed to sustainability, focusing on four priority areas. In product development, for example, it is concentrating on reducing material use. The “lightweight” range for the agricultural sector has been expanded to include special lightweight caps for 50 and 63 mm neck finishes. To advance closed-loop material cycles, BERICAP aims to use recycled materials in the production of its closures (PCR: Post Consumer Resin). Mono-material designs are also used wherever possible to eliminate the need for additional sorting in the recycling process. High global standards, energy-efficient production processes at 30 production sites in 25 countries and involvement in sustainability initiatives all underline BERICAP’s commitment to global environmental protection.

Guaranteed product protection

BERICAP offers a wide range of closure solutions that enable manufacturers and bottlers to ensure product integrity and content quality. For example, the Ring Peel Liner combines product and counterfeiting protection. It is a liner with a tamper evidence feature that prevents product contamination and provides proof to the consumer that the bottle has not been opened before. Consumers can remove the foil easily and intuitively by lifting the tab. The outer ring of the Ring Peel Liner remains on the bottle to provide a secure seal when it is closed again. The pouring process is also clean and precise. Besides the Ring Peel Liner, BERICAP offers a multi-stage Anti-Counterfeiting (ACF) System that allows manufacturers to select the ACF measures most suitable for their product from a comprehensive range.

Safe transfer of crop protection products

The innovative Closed Transfer System (CTS) solutions unite product protection with consumer safety and sustainability. An example of a CTS solution that received the Pack the Future Award is easyconnect, which was developed for the agricultural sector in collaboration with the 13 member companies in the easyconnect Working Group. The Closed Transfer System enables the faster, easier and safer transfer of liquid crop protection products from the container into the sprayer, thereby

significantly reducing operator exposure. The container's screw cap with tamper-evident seal is connected to the coupler on the CTS for the drip-free transfer of the required quantity of the product into the sprayer. After emptying, the container is automatically cleaned and resealed so that it can be recycled with its closure. The CTS is resealable and leakproof, even when only partially emptied.

Dynamic and sustainable sport caps

Active individuals prefer drinks with easy-to-use closures. The BERICAP sport caps with tamper evidence feature offer "sustainable convenience to go". For example, the one-piece sport cap "Biarritz" and the two-piece premium closure "Monet" are manufactured in a mono-material design for optimum recyclability. An opening angle of 180 degrees makes all BERICAP sports caps easy to open using just one hand and convenient to drink from. The sport caps are also available in a tethered version.

Clip Aside tethered caps established as the European market standard

BERICAP customers have now filled more than 15 billion bottles with the Clip Aside tethered caps on over 70 filling lines, thus complying with EU Directive 2019/904. The fact that the caps are firmly attached to the bottle means they can be sent for recycling together with the bottle. The user-friendly closures feature a 180-degree opening and are available for all relevant neck finishes from 26 to 38 mm in various beverage categories: from carbonated soft drinks (CSD), water, juices and teas to milk-based beverages. The discontinuation of aluminum seals for milk-based products such as yogurt drinks is a current topic of discussion in connection with EU Directive 2019/904. BERICAP has suitable solutions and services to facilitate a fast and simple switch-over to tethered caps to help safeguard its customers' future viability.

Comprehensive portfolio with aluminum as well as plastic

Now that Mala Verschluss-Systeme GmbH's integration into the BERICAP Group is complete, the aluminum closure division has been rebranded as BERICAP Aluminium GmbH. The aluminum closure specialist will be presenting a diverse portfolio of roll-on closures for wines and spirits, milk-based drinks and edible oils. The range extends from simple roll-on pilfer proof (ROPP) aluminum closures to highly complex safety closures. All products can be designed to customer specifications.

"There are a number of key design features that our customers want to see in their closures, from sustainability and product protection to quality assurance and user-friendliness. It's essential for us to be aware of all our manufacturing partners' requirements so that we can offer them the perfect closure solution. We're excited to be presenting our innovative product and service portfolio at FACHPACK. Visit us at our booth to discuss the latest trends and challenges in our industry," said Christian Schamp, Director Sales Blow-Molding at BERICAP.

FACHPACK is the leading European trade fair for the packaging industry. In 2022 it attracted some 32,000 trade visitors and 1,153 exhibitors. The trade fair has a 45-year track record at its venue in Nuremberg and sustainability has long been one of the central themes. This year's slogan is "Transition in Packaging" and FACHPACK aims to provide visitors with insights into relevant packaging industry trends.



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About BERICAP

BERICAP is one of the leading global manufacturers of plastic and aluminum closures, with 30 production plants serving customers in over 100 countries across the world. With specialized R&D centers and its own mold shop, BERICAP is ideally equipped for the development of innovative and climate-friendly closures and to support its customers' success with a comprehensive portfolio of products.

Best manufacturing practices at BERICAP are centrally coordinated and regularly reviewed at each plant to ensure superior quality. All BERICAP plants are certified as compliant with ISO 9001 and the GRSI Benchmarking standards. The company's highest priorities are product safety, consumer convenience and design flexibility, as well as process safety and sustainability. BERICAP is particularly committed to material reduction through the development of lightweight designs and the use of biobased and recycled materials (PCR). In this way it is helping to conserve natural resources and close the loop in the packaging industry.

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