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# Matt Fridley of Brenntag North America Honored as Distributor of the Year

Brenntag North America, Inc., part of the Brenntag Group, is recognized by the NACD by announcing Matt Fridley as Distributor of the Year.

The National Association of Chemical Distributors (NACD) held their first virtual annual meeting, where they announced their annual award winners. These awards include Distributor of the Year, Affiliate of the Year, Responsible Distribution Excellence, and Employee of the Year.

This year, Matt Fridley was named the 2020 Distributor of the Year. Matt Fridley, Director of Safety and Security for Brenntag North America, is the immediate past chair of the U.S. Chemical Sector Coordinating Council and is a member of the U.S. delegation for chemical security at the G7 Summit.

"Matt has distinguished himself within Brenntag and the chemical distribution industry as the go-to expert on security. He performs his job and represents Brenntag with the utmost professionalism and integrity," says Shawn Wiram, Vice-President Safety, Health, and Environment for Brenntag North America. "His work during the pandemic, in coordinating the distribution of vital personal protective equipment from the Federal Government to numerous chemical distribution and manufacturing companies, demonstrates his commitment to actively caring for the safety and well-being of others. I join in the celebration of this well-deserved recognition and am thankful he is on the Brenntag Team."

"Matt Fridley's dedication and commitment to ensuring the safety and security of the chemical distribution industry is truly unparalleled. His leadership in procuring and disseminating face masks from the federal government to the chemical distribution industry was truly a herculean task. And his role in advocating for the long-term reauthorization of CFATS on Capitol Hill was instrumental in securing a 3-year measure being approved earlier this year by Congress and being signed into law by President Trump. Matt exemplified every aspect of our Distributor of the Year Award, and we could not be more thrilled to present him with this recognition," said Eric Byer, President, and CEO, NACD.

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Brenntag is the global market leader in chemical and ingredients distribution. We connect our suppliers and customers in value-adding partnerships. Our almost 17,500 employees provide tailor-made application, marketing and supply chain solutions. Technical and formulation support, market, industry and regulatory expertise as well as advanced digital tools are just some examples of our services that are aiming to create an excellent customer experience. Our full-line portfolio comprises specialty and industrial chemicals and ingredients of a world-class supplier base. Building on its long-standing experience, unmatched global reach and local excellence, Brenntag works closely alongside its partners to make their business more successful. We are committed to contribute towards greater sustainability in our own business and the industries we serve, and to achieve sustainable profitable growth. Headquartered in Essen (Germany) and with regional headquarters in Philadelphia, Houston and Singapore, Brenntag operates a unique global network with more than 640 locations in 77 countries. The company generated sales of EUR 12.8 billion (USD 14.4 billion) in 2019. Brenntag shares are traded at the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (BNR). For more information on Brenntag North America, please visit www.brenntag.com.

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