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Univar Announces Sale of 12,500,000 Shares of Common Stock by Selling Stockholders

DOWNERS GROVE, ILL. December 12, 2016 Univar Inc. (NYSE:UNVR) (Univar) announced today the sale of 12,500,000 shares of Univar s common stock (representing approximately 9% of its issued and outstanding shares) by investment funds affiliated with Clayton, Dubilier & Rice LLC (CD&R) and Dahlia Investments Pte. Ltd., an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Temasek Holdings (Private) Limited (Dahlia and, together with CD&R, the Selling Stockholders), to Goldman, Sachs & Co., as the sole underwriter in the registered public offering of those shares. The Selling Stockholders will receive all of the net proceeds from this offering. No shares are being sold by Univar. Following the offering, CD&R and Dahlia will own 32,561,039 and 18,171,599 shares of Univar's common stock, respectively.

A shelf registration statement (including a prospectus) for the offering to which this communication relates has previously been filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and has become effective. Before you invest, you should read the prospectus in that registration statement and other documents Univar has filed with the SEC for more complete information about Univar and this offering. You may get these documents for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC Web site at www.sec.gov. Alternatively, copies of the prospectus and prospectus supplement, when available, may be obtained from Goldman, Sachs & Co., c/o Prospectus Department, 200 West Street, New York, New York 10282, by calling (866) 471-2526, by facsimile at (212) 902-9316 or by email at prospectus-ny@ny.email.gs.com.

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About Univar Inc.

Founded in 1924, Univar is a global distributor of specialty and basic chemicals from more than 8,000 producers worldwide. Univar operates more than 800 distribution facilities throughout North America, Western Europe, the Asia-Pacific region, and Latin America, supported by a global network of sales and technical professionals. With a broad portfolio of products and value-added services, and deep technical and market expertise, Univar delivers the

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tailored solutions customers need through one of the most extensive chemical distribution networks in the world. Univar is Chemistry DeliveredSM.

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