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Akzo Chemicals B.V. is a leading supplier of hydroprocessing catalysts to the refining industry.

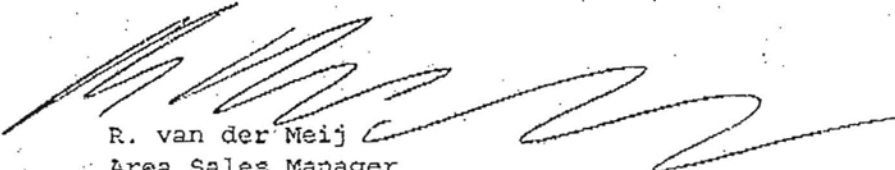
Besides the supply of hydroprocessing catalysts to all major oil companies in the world, Akzo Chemicals B.V. is supporting its future catalysts business by cooperating with engineering companies on a non-exclusive basis in basic design work of hydroprocessing units. Such work is always evaluated on a case by case basis.

The main selection criterium for Akzo Chemicals B.V. to work with an engineering company is the capability of this company in the design of hydroprocessing units.

Based on previous experiences, Akzo Chemicals B.V. has full confidence in Studi Tecnici e Procedure (S.T.P.) with its office in Rome being such a capable engineering company.

Yours sincerely,

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