

MOSCOW, RUSSIA, October 14, 2013 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- Russian Railways, URALCHEM's Kirovo-Chepetsk Chemical Works Plant and URALCHEM-TRANS signed a cooperation agreement for the period 2013 to 2015 at the Volga Coordinating Council meeting held in Nizhny Novgorod. The meeting was chaired by the head of Gorky Railway, Anatoly Lesun.

The agreement will increase interaction efficiency between the parties to guarantee the transportation of raw materials and finished products from the plant in Kirovo-Chepetsk. The parties agreed to combine their efforts in priority areas such as: accelerated transportation of the consignor's cars, provision of track to be used for parking the cars, automation of the process for organizing shipments.

Sergei Momtsemlidze, Director of the Kirovo-Chepetsk Chemical Works Plant, said: "Gorky Railway has always been one of the plant's most important and reliable strategic partners. Increased cooperation between URALCHEM and Gorky Railway will give a new impetus to our strong relationship and will help to improve transportation of raw materials and finished products from the plant, including products for the domestic agricultural sector."

Vsevolod Kovshov, director of URALCHEM-TRANS said, "The development of cooperation between Russian Railways and URALCHEM has been one of our priority tasks. We appreciate the constructive partnership with Gorky Railway, and especially the customer-oriented approach of the departments that we are dealing with, as well as the way they strive to always meet the needs of shippers. By signing the agreement, we will be able to work together on specific tasks that will ensure more effective and mutually beneficial cooperation between Russian Railways and URALCHEM. The most important area of work is the creation of a system allowing acceleration of transportation of the consignor's cars within the Russian Railways network. Our cooperation will also improve planning efficiency and traffic coordination."

URALCHEM, OJSC is one of the largest producers of nitrogen and phosphate fertilisers in Russia and the CIS with production capacities of over 2.5 million tonnes of ammonium nitrate, 2.8 million tonnes of ammonia, 0.8 million tonnes of MAP and DAP, 0.8 million tonnes of complex fertilisers and 1.2 million tonnes of urea. URALCHEM, OJSC is the second largest ammonium nitrate producer in the world and number one in Russia, the second largest producer of nitrogen fertilisers in Russia. Key production assets of URALCHEM, OJSC include Azot Branch of URALCHEM, OJSC in Berezniki, Perm Region; OJSC Minudobrenia, Perm; MFP Kirovo-Chepetsk Chemical Works, OJSC Branch in Kirovo-Chepetsk, Kirov region; Voskresensk Mineral Fertilisers, OJSC in Voskresensk, Moscow region.