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Linde launches enhanced digital cylinder management service

Munich, 19 April 2016 – Linde Gases, a division of The Linde Group, today announced the launch of a new cloud-based version of its cylinder inventory intelligence service, ACCURA®. The internet-based system aims to significantly increase productivity, improve traceability and safety and deliver cost savings for gas cylinder users.

Each Linde cylinder, uniquely identified electronically, holds specific data on its contents and whereabouts. Each time the cylinder is moved, it is scanned and traced with real time location data uploaded to the ACCURA® cloud-based platform. The service enables live information on gas cylinder stock levels, movement history and usage patterns to be accessed via Linde's mobile app for smartphones and tablets or via a regular web browser. Tools including re-ordering assist and gas consumption reports help increase productivity, especially for customers requiring an uninterrupted gas supply for process continuity. Improved safety and quality is an important benefit of the service, with enhanced visibility of potentially hazardous products and cylinder expiry dates. ACCURA® can also help gas users meet regulatory compliance obligations in industries, such as pharmaceutical manufacturing or food processing, that mandate high levels of traceability.

"Linde has always played a leading role in gas technology innovation," said Kathy Hocker, Head of Packaged Gases, Linde. "We are constantly innovating to provide our customers with the state-of-the-art tools to enable them to do their jobs efficiently and safely and ACCURA® is a significant step forward in improving the cylinder management side of our customers' business."

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Improved cylinder asset management can deliver significant cost savings through the location and identification of missing or underused cylinders, improved stock inventory planning and reduced cylinder handling and administration.

The enhanced digital ACCURA[®] service was recently successfully piloted in Australia and will be rolled out across that region and others in the coming months.

About The Linde Group

In the 2015 financial year, The Linde Group generated revenue of EUR 17.944 bn, making it one of the leading gases and engineering companies in the world, with approximately 65,000 employees working in more than 100 countries worldwide. The strategy of The Linde Group is geared towards long-term profitable growth and focuses on the expansion of its international business with forward-looking products and services. Linde acts responsibly towards its shareholders, business partners, employees, society and the environment in every one of its business areas, regions and locations across the globe. The company is committed to technologies and products that unite the goals of customer value and sustainable development.

For more information, see The Linde Group online at www.linde.com

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