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## Rohm and Haas Announces Stockholders Vote in Favor of Merger with Dow

PHILADELPHIA--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Rohm and Haas Company (NYSE:ROH) announced that at a meeting held earlier today, its common stockholders voted in favor of the proposed merger between Rohm and Haas Company and The Dow Chemical Company. A majority of the more than 195 million shares entitled to vote at the meeting voted in favor of the merger proposal. The terms of the agreement call for stockholders to receive \$78 in cash for each share of Rohm and Haas they own.

The merger is expected to close in early 2009, pending regulatory approvals, and the agreement provides that Rohm and Haas Company will retain its name and Philadelphia Headquarters. Dow will contribute a number of specialty chemicals business segments to the Rohm and Haas portfolio, creating an advanced materials company with annual revenue of approximately \$13 billion.

**Forward Looking Statements**

*This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties and are subject to change based on various factors. These factors include, but are not limited to (1) the cost of raw materials, natural gas, and other energy sources, and the ability to achieve price increases to offset such cost increases; (2) development of operational efficiencies; (3) changes in foreign currencies; (4) changes in interest rates; (5) the continued timely development and acceptance of new products and services; (6) the impact of competitive products and pricing; (7) the impact of new accounting standards; (8) assessments for asset impairments; (9) the impact of tax and other legislation and regulation in the jurisdictions in which the company operates; (10) the occurrence of any event, change or other circumstances that could give rise to the termination of the merger agreement between Rohm and Haas Company and The Dow Chemical Company or to the failure of any condition to be satisfied; (11) the risk that the proposed transaction disrupts current plans and operations and the potential difficulties in employee retention as a result of the merger; and (12) the possibility that Rohm and Haas may be adversely affected by other economic, business, and/or competitive factors. Many of these factors are beyond Rohm and Haas's ability to control or predict. Actual results could vary materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statement. Further information about these and other risks can be found in the company's SEC 10-K filing of February 21, 2008, and updated in the 8-K filing on June 6, 2008. This press release speaks only as of its date. Rohm and Haas is under no duty to update this information.*

Copies of all recent SEC filings, and additional information about Rohm and Haas, are available through our web site: [www.rohmhaas.com](http://www.rohmhaas.com)

**About Rohm and Haas Company**

Leading the way since 1909, Rohm and Haas is a global pioneer in the creation and development of innovative technologies and solutions for the specialty materials industry. The company's technologies are found in a wide range of industries including: Building and Construction, Electronics and Electronic Devices, Household Goods and Personal Care, Packaging and Paper, Transportation, Pharmaceutical and Medical, Water, Food and Food Related, and Industrial Process. Innovative Rohm and Haas technologies and solutions help to improve life every day, around the world. Based in Philadelphia, PA, the company generated annual sales of approximately \$8.9 billion in 2007. Visit [http://cts.businesswire.com/ct/CT?id=smartlink&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.rohmhaas.com&esheet=5816138&lan=en\\_US&anchor=www.rohmhaas.com&index=2](http://cts.businesswire.com/ct/CT?id=smartlink&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.rohmhaas.com&esheet=5816138&lan=en_US&anchor=www.rohmhaas.com&index=2) for more information. *imagine the possibilities™*

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