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Alpek Polyester joins The Recycling Partnership

Charlotte, NC, July 24, 2019 – Alpek Polyester announces that it has joined The Recycling Partnership as an active member in support of the organization’s goals of increasing residential recycling rates and the need for increased availability of recycled materials to enable the creation of circular business models. Specifically, it is the goal of Alpek Polyester to support efforts to improve the availability of recycled PET (rPET) to meet growing customer needs for higher rPET content in end-use products.

Alpek Polyester is one of the largest recyclers of PET (Polyethylene Terephthalate) bottles in the U.S. and is the largest producer of PET in the Americas. “We are happy to join The Recycling Partnership to promote and increase PET recycling rates” said Jon McNaull, VP of PET at Alpek Polyester. “PET is a versatile and outstanding packaging material that is fully recyclable and brings great value to its many end-uses.”

“We are delighted to not only have Alpek Polyester join The Recycling Partnership, but also support our Circular Economy Accelerator initiatives” said Keefe Harrison, CEO of The Recycling Partnership. “The addition of a PET producer and recycler like Alpek Polyester will not only help our efforts to strengthen and expand our mission, but also support our organization’s goal of creating a healthier U.S. recycling system.”

The Recycling Partnership helps communities strengthen their recycling programs by providing funding for curbside carts, the missing infrastructure needed to recover recyclables from multi-family homes, as well as critical recycling education and operational programs. Helping residents increase quantity and quality of what they recycle – and ensuring they are recycling correctly – is critical to supporting a circular economy and building a sustainable recycling system in the U.S.

About The Recycling Partnership

The Recycling Partnership (recyclingpartnership.org) is a national nonprofit organization that leverages corporate partner funding to transform recycling for good in states, cities and communities all across America. As the only organization in the country that engages the full recycling supply chain from the corporations that manufacture products and packaging to local governments charged with recycling to industry end markets, haulers, material recovery facilities, and converters; The Recycling Partnership positively impacts recycling at every step in the

process. The Recycling Partnership has served more than 1,000 communities and counting with best-in-class tools, data, resources and technical support, helped place 445,000 recycling carts, reached 50 million households, and helped companies and communities invest more than \$43 million in recycling infrastructure. In doing so, The Recycling Partnership has created meaningful social, environmental, and economic change. By the end of 2019, the nonprofit change agent estimates it will have diverted 230 million pounds of new recyclables, saved 465 million gallons of water, avoided 250 thousand metric tons of GHG, and driven significant reductions in targeted contamination rates.

About Alpek Polyester

Alpek Polyester (www.alpekpolyester.com) is an integrated brand comprised of DAK Americas LLC and subsidiaries of Grupo Petrotex S.A. de C.V. which are wholly owned by Alpek, S.A.B. de C.V. of Monterrey, Mexico. Alpek Polyester operates 14 production facilities across 5 countries in the Americas. Alpek Polyester is the largest producer of Terephthalic Acid (TPA/PTA) and Polyethylene Terephthalate Resins (PET) in the Americas, and one of the largest recyclers of PET in the Americas via its GreenPET (Recycled and Renewable Bio-Based Materials) business. Additionally, Alpek Polyester produces Specialty Polymers and is one of the largest producers of Polyester Staple Fibers (PSF) in the Americas. Alpek Polyester is focused on the future with numerous Sustainability initiatives across its business units.

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