Albemarle and Tianqi terminate option for indirect minority interest in Albemarle subsidiary

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CHARLOTTE, N.C., Feb. 22, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Albemarle Corporation (NYSE: ALB), a premier specialty chemicals company, announced today that Albemarle and Tianqi Lithium Corporation (Tianqi) have entered into a deed of termination, pursuant to which Tianqi's exercise of a previously announced option to acquire a 20% indirect ownership interest in Rockwood Lithium GmbH and its subsidiaries has been terminated. In accordance with the deed of termination, the option agreement has been terminated and the exercise of the option by Tianqi will cease to have any legal effect.

About Albemarle
Albemarle Corporation (NYSE: ALB), headquartered in Charlotte, NC, is a global specialty chemicals company with leading positions in lithium, bromine and refining catalysts. We power the potential of companies in many of the world's largest and most critical industries, from energy and communications to transportation and electronics. Working side-by-side with our customers, we develop value-added, customized solutions that make them more competitive. Our solutions combine the finest technology and ingredients with the knowledge and know-how of our highly experienced and talented team of operators, scientists and engineers.

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