Innophos Advances Strategic Value Chain Repositioning Initiative with Additional Milestone Strategic Sourcing Arrangements

*Initiative Expected to Deliver 10% Adjusted Diluted EPS Improvement by Year-end 2019*

*Complements Recently Announced Nutrien PPA Agreement to Deliver Greater Supply Optionality, Security of Supply and an Improved Sustainable Cost Structure*

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CRANBURY, N.J.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Innophos Holdings, Inc. (NASDAQ: IPHS) today announced that as part of its strategic value chain repositioning initiative it has restructured its merchant grade acid (“MGA”) strategic sourcing arrangement with global agricultural leader Nutrien, including a new MGA strategic supply agreement. Combined with the new Nutrien Purified Phosphoric Acid (“PPA”) supply agreement announced earlier today and other internal strategic manufacturing optimization actions, Innophos will meaningfully diversify its supply base, deliver an improved sustainable cost structure and advance Innophos’ previously announced strategic value chain repositioning effort that is expected to deliver a 10% improvement to adjusted diluted EPS by the end of 2019.

Under the terms of the new agreements, Nutrien will supply Innophos with MGA, a key material used in the manufacturing of PPA, from Nutrien’s US-based facility in Aurora, North Carolina and cease sourcing MGA from Nutrien’s facility in Geismar, Louisiana. In addition, Innophos has made significant progress in advancing a multi-faceted program that will increase the self-sufficiency of MGA supply from its own Coatzacoalcos, Mexico facility. These initiatives, combined with Innophos’ deep well capital investment at its PPA manufacturing facility in Geismar, LA, will enable Innophos to utilize multiple MGA sources, increase Innophos’ internal PPA supply, reduce its dependence on any single supplier and lower its overall cost structure.

In addition, as part of Innophos’ commitment to overall social responsibility and good corporate stewardship, Innophos will no longer indirectly participate in a raw material supply chain which sources phosphate rock from the Western Sahara region in Africa, an area from which the Company has not directly purchased raw materials for more than three years.

“These strategic value chain enhancements, combined with our internal manufacturing efforts, meaningfully advance our broader value chain repositioning initiative that is targeted to deliver a 10% improvement to adjusted diluted EPS by the end of FY 2019,” said Kim Ann Mink, Ph.D., Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer. “The agreements with Nutrien support our transition to a multi-sourcing strategy that improves our cost structure and demonstrates our commitment to be a socially responsible corporate partner. In addition, we are confident that we are now well positioned to secure high-quality raw materials for our Food, Health and Industrial Specialties customers and sustain our leadership position in our core cash-generative phosphate portfolio.”

About Innophos

Innophos is a leading international producer of specialty ingredient solutions that deliver far-reaching, versatile benefits for the food, health, nutrition and industrial markets. We leverage our expertise in the science and technology of blending and formulating phosphate, mineral, enzyme and botanical based ingredients to help our customers offer
products that are tasty, healthy, nutritious and economical. Headquartered in Cranbury, New Jersey, Innophos has manufacturing operations across the United States, in Canada, Mexico and China. For more information, please visit www.innophos.com, 'IPHS-G'

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