

Heinz Dürr family pools voting rights

Bietigheim-Bissingen, December 5, 2011 - In the context of inheritance law provisions, Heinz Dürr GmbH and Heinz und Heide Dürr Stiftung GmbH intend to enter a pool agreement / vote binding agreement regarding their holdings of Dürr AG shares. Ahead of that, Heinz Dürr GmbH has sold 250,000 shares of Dürr AG in off-exchange trading to prevent the threshold of 30% from being exceeded as a result of the agreement. Exceeding the threshold of 30% would have the consequence that a mandatory offer to all other shareholders would have to be submitted.

“This arrangement ensures that the Heinz Dürr family together with its foundation remains the anchor shareholder of Dürr AG,” says Heinz Dürr, Managing Partner of Heinz Dürr GmbH and Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Dürr AG. “The long-term development of Dürr AG as a family-oriented business will thus remain assured.”

Dürr is a mechanical and plant engineering group that holds leading positions in the world market in its areas of operation. It generates a good 80% of its sales in business with the automotive industry. It furthermore supplies the aircraft, machinery, chemical, and pharmaceutical industries with innovative production and environmental technology. The Dürr Group operates in the market with three divisions. The Paint and Assembly Systems division supplies production and painting technology, especially for car bodies. Machinery and systems from the Measuring and Process Systems division are used in engine and transmission manufacturing and in final vehicle assembly, among other areas. The third division, Clean Technology Systems, is focused on processes to improve energy efficiency and on exhaust air purification. Dürr has 49 business locations in 22 countries worldwide. The Group expects sales of about € 1.8 billion with approximately 6,700 employees in 2011.

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