

MEDIA INFORMATION

EMS Group: Spin-off of DOTTIKON on March 31, 2005

At the financial media conference on February 11, 2005 the EMS Group, which undertakes global activities in the fields of Performance Polymers and Fine Chemicals / Engineering and with its companies combined in EMS-CHEMIE HOLDING AG, announced that it would be pursuing a strategy of concentration on Performance Polymers. Furthermore, and in pursuit of this strategy, EMS announced the spin-off and going-public of the EMS-DOTTIKON business unit (exclusive synthesis specialist) in 2005, under the holding company DOTTIKON ES HOLDING AG.

The details of the spin-off (subject to SWX Swiss Exchange approval) are now on hand. Each EMS registered share will be allocated a negotiable subscription right. Twenty such subscription rights will entitle the purchase of one registered share of DOTTIKON ES HOLDING AG, whereby the nominal value of the share (CHF 5 per share) will be payable. The share capital of DOTTIKON ES HOLDING AG will comprise 1'272'644 shares corresponding to a nominal value of CHF 6'363'220.

The subscription rights will be traded at the SWX Swiss Exchange from March 23, 2005 up to and including March 29, 2005. The subscription rights will be delivered on March 30, 2005. On March 31, 2005 the registered shares of DOTTIKON ES HOLDING AG will be traded for the first time at the SWX Swiss Exchange and the spin-off from EMS will be deemed concluded.

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Further information on the DOTTIKON group and the spin-off will be forthcoming in a separate media release and a media conference in Dottikon on March 10, 2005. The prospectus is scheduled for publication on March 22, 2005.

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