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SWISS TAKEOVER BOARD CONFIRMS APPLICATION OF OPTING-OUT CLAUSE

Today the Swiss Takeover Board issued a decision in the proceeding initiated by Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Trust as well Cascade Investment with their request of March 5, 2015. The decision confirms that the opting out clause according to art. 5 of the articles of association of Sika AG applies to the proposed acquisition of Schenker-Winkler Holding AG and that Saint-Gobain and persons acting in concert with Saint-Gobain are not obligated to submit a public offer to the shareholders of Sika AG.

SIKA CORPORATE PROFILE

Sika is a specialty chemicals company with a leading position in the development and production of systems and products for bonding, sealing, damping, reinforcing and protecting in the building sector and the motor vehicle industry. Sika has subsidiaries in 90 countries around the world and manufactures in over 160 factories. Its approximately 17,000 employees generated annual sales of CHF 5.6 billion in 2014.