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Sika's 2000-2005 bond issue

Sika AG, headquartered in Baar, Switzerland, is redeeming its CHF150 mil. 4.5% bond issue.

The five-year loan placed in 2000 to finance growth and raise the company's liquidity, was scheduled to be paid back on July 20, 2005.

Sika's syndicated credit facility is being applied to finance the redemption. More advantageous rates will lower the company's ongoing capital costs.

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Sika AG, based in Baar, Switzerland, is a leading global supplier of specialty chemicals. Sika offers process materials for sealing, bonding, damping, reinforcing and protecting of load-bearing structures in construction (buildings and infrastructure) and in industry (transportation, automotive, marine and appliances & building components). Sika's product line includes concrete admixtures, specialty mortars, sealants, adhesives, specialty acoustic and reinforcing materials, structural strengthening systems, industrial flooring and membranes. Locally based operations in 68 countries with over 9'200 employees connect customers directly with Sika and guarantee for the success of all our partners. With this concept Sika achieves annual sales of approximately CHF 2.6 billion.

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