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Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, Bossard Holding AG

Shareholders agree to capital increase - all Board proposals are approved

At the Theater Casino in Zug, the Bossard Holding AG Ordinary Annual General Meeting, chaired by Board president, Dr. Thomas Schmuckli, approved the capital increase. This capital increase is a significant step for the development of the group and, as a result of the approval, the company expects to benefit from net proceeds in connection with the capital increase of approximately CHF 80 million. The shareholders accepted all other Board proposals with a large majority.

The main issue for the Annual General Meeting was the capital increase. This follows the Bossard Group' CHF 200 million acquisition of the KVT-Fastening business area from the KVT Group in November 2012. In order to increase the equity, which had decreased as a result of the acquisition, the Annual General Meeting today approved the capital increase with a majority of 99.9 percent of the shareholders present. Net proceeds expected by the company in connection with the capital increase amount to approximately CHF 80 million. Shareholders' subscription rights will be preserved. One subscription right is allocated to every existing share. 4 subscription rights entitle the respective holders to purchase one new share of the same class. A new bearer share can be purchased at the price of CHF 100 and a new registered share at the price of CHF 20. The new bearer shares will be traded on the stock exchange for the first time on March 25, 2013, and holders are entitled to dividend payments for the 2013 financial year.

In a further resolution, the Annual General Meeting agreed to pay a gross dividend per bearer share of CHF 5.75 (previous year: CHF 6.00) and per registered share of CHF 1.15 (previous year: CHF 1.20). These dividends are to be paid from a consolidated net profit for 2012 of CHF 42.9 million (profit for 2011: CHF 44.8 million). Bossard bearer shares will be traded ex-dividend and ex-subscription right as of March 14, 2013. The dividend will be paid on March 19, 2013.

Ms. Maria Teresa Vacalli was newly elected to the administrative board of Bossard Holding AG for a three year term of office.

In addition to this PricewaterhouseCoopers AG, Zurich, were re-elected as statutory auditors for the 2013 financial year.

522 shareholders attended the Annual General Meeting, which represents 3,673,854 of a total of 5,141,363 possible votes.

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Total Votes: 3,673,854

Agenda item	Number of votes		
	Yes	No	Abstain
2.1 Approval of the annual report, the consolidated financial statement and the annual financial statement for 2012	3,673,684	0	170
2.2 Consultative vote on the 2012 remuneration report	3,668,457	5,247	150
2.3 Discharge of the board of directors and the executive committee for the business year 2012	3,672,561	1,173	120
2.4 Appropriation of available retained earnings	3,664,621	9,113	120
3. Ordinary capital increase	3,668,407	5,277	170
4. Election of Ms. Maria Teresa Vacalli to the board of directors	3,666,634	0	7,220
5. Appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers AG, Zurich, as statutory auditors for the 2013 business year	3,671,924	1,710	220

Profile:

Bossard is a leading supplier of intelligent solutions for industrial fastening technology. The company's complete portfolio for fasteners includes worldwide sales, technical consulting (engineering) and inventory management (logistics).

Its customers include local and multinational industrial companies who use Bossard's solutions to improve their productivity. Employing more than 1,800 people in over 60 locations around the world, the Group generated CHF 487 million in sales in 2012. Bossard is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange.

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