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MEDIA INFORMATION

EMS: Successful Share buy-back

Based on the "official invitation on May 6, 1998 for offers to repurchase upto 24'000 bearer shares at a price of CHF 8'400.-- each", EMS-CHEMIE HOLDING AG could buy-back a total of 24'000 bearer shares. Consequently, the offer for the repurchase of shares was fully utilized.

Subject to the approval of the General Assembly on August 22, 1998, the share capital will thus be reduced by CHF 1'200'000.-- to new CHF 26'093'000.--; to be newly divided in 376'000 bearer shares of CHF 50.-- each and 729'300 registered shares at CHF 10.-- nominal value.