

MEDIA INFORMATION

Christoph Blocher enlarges his majority shareholding in EMS

Christoph Blocher extends further his majority shareholding in EMS-CHEMIE HOLDING AG through his company EMESTA HOLDING AG. For this purpose EMESTA purchased 130'000 bearer shares of EMS-CHEMIE HOLDING AG at a price of CHF 7'025.--.

The 130'000 bearer shares of EMS-CHEMIE HOLDING AG have been purchased during the second half of 1997 on the market by the company as its own shares. Thanks to this sale of shares to EMESTA, EMS-CHEMIE HOLDING AG will achieve a financial profit of CHF 25,7 mio.

As a consequence, Blocher will now hold 50,6 % of the capital and 76,1 % of the voting stock.

At the same time Blocher has abandoned further shareholdings: While he has already sold his parcel of shares of UBS (1'112'500 registered shares) in mid-year, he has now also sold his shares of PHARMA VISION 2000 AG (17 % voting shares, 6 % of the capital). Blocher, who acts as Chairman of PHARMA VISION will resign from this position at the forthcoming General Assembly.