

## **MEDIA INFORMATION**

## on the general meeting of EMS-CHEMIE HOLDING AG

The general meeting of EMS-CHEMIE HOLDING AG, Domat/Ems, held on 16 August 2003, granted approval to all the motions submitted by the board of directors. The attending 452 shareholders represented 729'030 registered shares and 251'249 bearer shares, which corresponds to 88,7 % of all share votes.

In particular, the general meeting approved the appropriation of profit brought forward, i.e. the payment of an ordinary gross dividend of CHF 380 (net: CHF 237) per bearer share and of CHF 76 gross (net: CHF 49.40) per registered share, as well as the carryforward to new account. The dividend will be paid out as of 20 August 2003 (ex date).

The motion submitted by the board of directors for reduction of the share capital by CHF 25'832'070 from CHF 26'093'000 to CHF 260'930, of the nominal value per registered share from CHF 10 to CHF 0.10 and per bearer share from CHF 50 to CHF 0.50 was approved. The capital reduction will be effected by way of par value repayment of CHF 9.90 net per existing registered share and of CHF 49.50 net per existing bearer share. Par value repayment will be effected together with the introduction of the standard share at the beginning of November 2003. The exact date will be announced in good time.

Additionally, the introduction of the standard registered share by way of conversion of each existing par value-reduced registered share of CHF 0.10 par value into 10 registered shares (split 1:10) each with a par value of CHF 0.01 and by way of conversion of each existing par value-reduced bearer share of CHF 0.50 par value into 50 registered shares (split 1:50) each with a par value of CHF 0.01 was approved.

The general meeting approved the revision of the articles of association and elected the existing board of directors for a further term of office of one year.