

Press Release

Honeywell receives U.S antitrust clearance for acquisition of Sperian Protection

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Sperian Protection, reference leader in personal protective equipment (PPE), today announces that Honeywell has received antitrust clearance from the U.S. Federal Trade Commission for its pending all cash tender offer to acquire the shares of Sperian Protection for €117 (dividend attached) per Sperian Protection share, which opened on July 12, 2010.

The transaction has already been approved by the French Ministry of Economy, Industry and Employment pursuant to French regulations relating to foreign investments.

The offer has been unanimously recommended by the Sperian Board of Directors, has been cleared by the French Autorité des Marchés Financiers (AMF) on June 22, 2010 and has been opened on July 12, 2010.

The completion of the offer only remains subject to the European Union antitrust clearance and to the successful tender by Sperian's shareholders of shares representing no less than 57% of the fully diluted number of shares (including the stakes of shareholders Essilor and Mrs. Ginette Dalloz).

Sperian expects the transaction to close in the third quarter of 2010. The exact closing date of the offer will be determined by the AMF once the approval of the European antitrust authority is granted.

The tender offer prospectus (note d'information) cleared by the AMF is available for consultation on the website of the AMF (www.amf-france.org) and of Sperian Protection (www.sperian.com).

About Sperian Protection

Sperian Protection, reference leader in personal protective equipment (hearing, eye, respiratory and fall protection, gloves, clothing and footwear) is resolutely geared towards international markets. The Group offers innovative products adapted to high-risk environments so that workers in the manufacturing and services industries can work with confidence.

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