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Nanogate formally closes deal for takeover of Eurogard B.V.

Takeover strengthens market position and opens up further growth potential – transaction successfully concluded

Göttelborn, Germany, 8 June 2011. Nanogate AG (ISIN DE000A0JKHC9), the leading international integrated systems provider for nanosurfaces, has successfully closed the deal to take over the Dutch company Eurogard B.V. Nanogate and Eurogard aim above all to achieve growth together by expanding international business further, developing new applications and acquiring new customers. Nanogate expects to increase Group sales in the 2011 financial year to more than EUR 30 million and record an EBITDA margin of at least 10 %.

Eurogard specialises in enhancing surfaces on two-dimensional components and is the global market leader in the lucrative specialist sector of coating transparent plastics. In the 2010 financial year, the company's sales were in the high single-digit millions and its EBITDA yield was in double figures. Eurogard is free from debt and generates a positive free cash flow. Its operating business is concentrated on the buildings/interiors, aviation, and automotive/mechanical engineering sectors. Eurogard coatings can be used on aircraft windows, utility vehicles, building elements and ski goggles, for example. Nanogate expects the new company to be fully integrated in the third quarter of 2011.

Ralf Zastrau, CEO of Nanogate AG, commented: "Nanogate's equity holdings in Eurogard B.V. and GfO AG put the company in an excellent strategic position. We offer a unique and complete technology portfolio with a broad range of applications. In addition to this, Nanogate covers the entire value chain like no other company – from materials expertise to process integration, right through



to mass production. In operational and strategic terms, Nanogate is well positioned to grow faster than the market for surface coatings. Our aim is to significantly expand our market share.”

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Nanogate is the leading international integrated systems provider for nanosurfaces, concentrating primarily on enhancing high-performance surfaces. The firm, which is based in Göttelborn (Saarland), enables the programming and integration of additional properties – such as non-stick, antibacterial, anti-corrosive and ultra-low friction – into materials and surfaces. As an enabler, Nanogate gains a competitive edge for its customers by means of product refinement using chemical nanotechnology. Nanogate covers a wide range of industries, functions and substrates. The company thus provides a decisive interface for the commercial use of chemical nanotechnology and bridges the gap between the suppliers of raw materials and industrial conversion into products. In doing so, Nanogate concentrates as an enabler on one of the most attractive segments in the industry. Nanogate has a unique combination of extensive materials expertise paired with comprehensive, first-class process and production know-how. As a systems provider, Nanogate covers the entire value chain, from the purchase of raw materials, to the synthesis and formulation of the material systems, right through to the enhancement and production of the finished surfaces. Nanogate focuses primarily on plastic and metal coatings for all surface types (two and three-dimensional components).

The Nanogate Group currently has approximately 250 employees in all and since commencing operations in 1999 has been a trailblazer in nanotechnology. The company has first-class customer references (e.g. Audi, BMW, Bosch-Siemens Haushaltsgeräte, Junkers, Kärcher, Hörmann Group, Opel and REWE International AG) and many years' experience of different industries and applications. Several hundred projects have already gone into mass production. Nanogate has also entered into strategic cooperations with international companies such as the GEA Group and Dow Corning. Nanogate consists of Nanogate Industrial Solutions GmbH, Eurogard B.V., FNP GmbH for products in the



sport/leisure sector, majority stakes in Holmenkol AG and GfO Gesellschaft für Oberflächentechnik AG, and an equity holding in sarastro GmbH.

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