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Press release December 10, 2020

Polygiene carries out a directed new share issue of SEK 280 million, conditional on approval from the extraordinary shareholders' meeting

Polygiene AB (publ) ("Polygiene" or the "Company") has, as communicated in its press release earlier today, resolved on a directed new share issue of 10,256,411 shares conditional on approval granted by the extraordinary shareholders' meeting (the "Directed New Share Issue"). The subscription price of the shares in the Directed New Share Issue amounts to SEK 27.3 per share. Through the Directed New Share Issue, Polygiene will receive proceeds amounting to approximately SEK 280 million before deduction of transaction costs. The issue proceeds will be used as part of the financing of the acquisition of the UK based company Addmaster Holdings Limited ("Addmaster") (the "Acquisition") which the Company announced earlier today.

The board of directors of Polygiene has resolved on a Directed New Share Issue of 10,256,411 shares conditional on approval granted by the extraordinary shareholders' meeting. The implementation of the Directed New Share Issue requires that both the Directed New Share Issue and the issue of the consideration shares to be issued in connection with the Acquisition are approved at the extraordinary shareholders' meeting of the Company which will be held on December 30, 2020. Shareholders who together hold approximately 28 per cent of the total number of shares and votes in Polygiene have undertaken to vote for the issues at the extraordinary shareholders' meeting. Notice of the extraordinary shareholders' meeting will be published through a separate press release.

A large number of Swedish and international institutional investors, including DNCA Investments, funds managed under the Lloyd Fonds brand, Consensus Asset Management, Didner & Gerge Fonder and Lancelot Asset Management, participated in the Directed New Share Issue. The subscription price in the Directed New Share Issue is SEK 27.3 per new share and has been determined through an accelerated bookbuilding procedure carried out by the Company's financial advisor Pareto Securities AB ("Pareto Securities"), why it is the board of directors' assessment that the subscription price is in accordance with market terms and conditions. The subscription price in the Directed New Share Issue constitutes a discount of approximately 3.5 per cent compared to the closing price on 10 December 2020. The net proceeds from the Directed New Share Issue are intended to be used to finance the cash part of the purchase price in the Acquisition, transaction costs and working capital needs. For further information regarding the funding of the Acquisition, see separate press release with the headline "Polygiene AB (publ) acquires the leading UK based additive company Addmaster" which was announced earlier today.

The reasons for the deviation from the shareholders' preferential rights was to diversify the ownership base in the Company among Swedish as well as international institutional and reputable investors and to take the opportunity to raise capital in a time and cost efficient manner. As the subscription price in the Directed New Share Issue has been determined through an accelerated bookbuilding procedure, it is the board of director's assessment that the subscription price is set in accordance with market conditions.

Payment from the investors and delivery of shares in the Directed New Share issue is expected to occur around January 8, 2021.

Through the Directed New Share Issue, the number of outstanding shares and votes will increase by 10,256,411 from 20,516,000 to 30,772,411. The share capital will increase by SEK 1,025,641.1, from SEK 2,051,600.0 to SEK 3,077,241.1, corresponding to a dilution of approximately 33.3 per cent of the number of shares and votes in the Company. Through the issue of the consideration shares to the sellers in the Acquisition, the number of outstanding shares and votes increases by an additional 4,564,174, from 30,772,411 to 35,336,585. In total, the Directed New Share Issue and the issue of the consideration shares to the sellers in the Acquisition entail a dilution of approximately 41.9 per cent of the number of shares and votes in the Company.

In connection with the Directed New Share Issue, the Company has undertaken, with customary exceptions, not to issue additional shares for a period of 12 months after the settlement date in the Directed New Share Issue. Board members and persons of the management holding shares in the Company have undertaken, with customary exceptions, not to sell any shares in Polygiene for a period of 180 calendar days after the settlement date in the Directed New Share Issue. The sellers in Addmaster have also undertaken, with certain customary exceptions, not to sell the newly issued shares received as consideration in the Acquisition for a certain period after the closing date. For 1/3 of the consideration shares, the commitment applies for 12 months from the closing date, for 1/3 of the consideration shares, the commitment applies for 24 months from the closing date and for 1/3 of the consideration shares, the commitment applies for 36 months from the closing date (for further information regarding the Acquisition, see separate press release with the headline "Polygiene AB (publ) acquires the leading UK based additive company Addmaster" which was released earlier today).

Advisers

Pareto Securities AB is acting as Sole Manager and Bookrunner, Setterwalls Advokatbyrå AB is legal counsel to the Company and Baker McKenzie Advokatbyrå KB is legal counsel to Pareto Securities in connection with the Directed New Share Issue.

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About Polygiene AB (publ)

Polygiene AB (publ) is a leading global ingredients brand company and supplier of antimicrobial additives for soft surfaces based in Malmö, Sweden. As world leader in stays fresh and odor control technologies, Polygiene wants to change the way we view clothes - from fast consumables to sustainable durables. The Company treats clothes, home products and textiles to help people stay fresh, wash less and let clothes and products live longer. More than 140 global premium brands have chosen Polygiene's brand to treat their products. Polygiene is listed on Nasdaq First North Growth Market with the ticker code POLYG, Erik Penser Bank AB is the Company's Certified Advisor (CA) and can be reached via telephone +46 (0)8 463 83 00 or via e-mail certifiedadviser@penser.se. For more information: https://ir.polygiene.com/en/home/

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