



Praktiker Bau- und Heimwerkermärkte Holding AG, Kirkel

ISIN: DE000A0F6MD5

Announcement according to sec. 26 para. 1 WpHG

On May 21, 2008, Lansdowne Partners Limited, London, Great Britain, has informed us according to sec. 21 para. 1 of the WpHG that Lansdowne Partners Limited Partnership, London, Great Britain, on behalf of client funds that it manages, fell below the threshold of 10 % of the voting rights in Praktiker Bau- und Heimwerkermärkte Holding AG, Kirkel, Germany, ISIN: DE000A0F6MD5, WKN: A0F6MD on May 19, 2008. On that date the voting rights represent 9.80 % (this corresponds to 5,683,184 voting rights). Those voting rights are attributed to Lansdowne Partners Limited Partnership according to sec. 22 para. 1 sentence 1 no. 6 WpHG.

Lansdowne Partners Limited Partnership acts for the following funds:

- Lansdowne UK Strategic Investment Master Fund Limited; shares held: 583,521; Percentage of shares: 1.01 %
- Lansdowne UK Equity Fund Limited; shares held: 4,837,236; Percentage of shares: 8.34 %
- Lansdowne UK Equity Fund LP; shares held: 262,427; Percentage of shares: 0.45 %

Total numbers of shares held: 5,683,184; Total Percentage of shares: 9.80 %

Furthermore, Lansdowne Partners Limited, London, Great Britain, has informed us on May 21, 2008, that Lansdowne Partners Limited, London, Great Britain, being the General Partner of Lansdowne Partners Limited Partnership, fell below the threshold of 10 % of the voting rights in Praktiker Bau- und Heimwerkermärkte Holding AG, Kirkel, Germany, ISIN: DE000A0F6MD5, WKN: A0F6MD on May 19, 2008. On that date the voting rights represent 9.80 % (this corresponds to 5,683,184 voting rights). These voting rights are attributed to Lansdowne Partners Limited according to sec. 22 para. 1 sentence 1 no. 6, and sentence 2 and 3 WpHG.

The following voting rights are attributable to Lansdowne Partners Limited through the following funds:

- Lansdowne UK Strategic Investment Master Fund Limited; shares held: 583,521; Percentage of shares: 1.01 %
- Lansdowne UK Equity Fund Limited; shares held: 4,837,236; Percentage of shares: 8.34 %
- Lansdowne UK Equity Fund LP; shares held: 262,427; Percentage of shares: 0.45 %

Total numbers of shares held: 5,683,184; Total Percentage of shares: 9.80 %

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Board of Management

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