



Praktiker Bau- und Heimwerkermärkte Holding AG, Kirkel

ISIN: DE000A0F6MD5

Announcement according to sec. 26 para. 1 WpHG

On March 03, 2009, we were informed pursuant to sec. 21 para. 1 of the German Securities Trading Act ("WpHG") in the name and on behalf of Artisan Funds, Inc., Milwaukee, USA, that the Voting Rights of Artisan Funds, Inc., Milwaukee, USA, on Praktiker Bau- und Heimwerkermärkte Holding AG, Kirkel, Germany, ISIN: DE000A0F6MD5, WKN: A0F6MD, have exceeded the 3% limit of the Voting Rights on February 27, 2009, and on that day amounted to 3.05% (this corresponds to 1,771,822 Voting Rights).

PRAKTIKER BAU- UND HEIMWERKERMÄRKTE HOLDING AG

Board of Management

Werner Arnold Ghabel Stroh Warnking