

## Repurchase own shares

### Authorisation of Managing Board

In the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on the 22 April 2009 the Managing Board was designated for a period of eighteen months, commencing on 22 April 2009, as the competent body to decide to issue shares, including the granting of rights to acquire shares, as well as to restrict or exclude the pre-emptive rights pertaining to the issue of shares, including the granting of rights to acquire shares. A decision by the Managing Board to issue shares or to restrict or exclude the pre-emptive rights pertaining to the issue of shares will be subject to the approval of the Supervisory Board. It is proposed to restrict the Managing Board's mandate to issue shares, including the granting of rights to acquire shares, or to restrict or exclude the pre-emptive rights pertaining to the issue of shares, including the granting of rights to acquire shares, to:

- i. 10% of the issued share capital of the company on 22 April 2009; and
- ii. an additional 10% of the issued share capital of the company on 22 April 2009, if the issue of this additional 10% is in connection with a merger or acquisition.