

## Conditions for the electronic *participation via online connection* in the Annual General Meeting and exercising shareholder rights, particularly voting rights

Shareholders who register in text form (section 126b of the German Civil Code (BGB)) at the following address (*registration address*) and submit to the Company at this address specific evidence of their shareholdings issued by their custodian bank in text form (section 126b of the BGB) in German or English (*duly authorised shareholders*) are authorised to participate in the Annual General Meeting by electronic means and to exercise their shareholder rights, particularly voting rights.

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Specific evidence of the shareholdings must refer to 6 May 2020 (00:00 hours CEST) (the record date for submission of proof). Registration to participate via online connection in the Annual General Meeting and specific evidence of the shareholdings must be submitted to the Company by no later than 20 May 2020 (24:00 hours CEST) at the following address.

The Company will only consider shareholders who register within the requisite period and have proved that they are authorised to participate via online connection in the Annual General Meeting and to exercise voting rights to be duly authorised to participate via online connection in the Annual General Meeting and to exercise their voting rights. The Company shall be entitled to demand suitable additional evidence in cases of doubt regarding the correctness or authenticity of the proof submitted. Where no such evidence is provided or it is not provided in an appropriate form, the Company may deny the shareholder to participate via online connection in the Annual General Meeting.

## Importance of the record date

The right to participate in the Annual General Meeting and to exercise shareholder rights as well as the scope of voting rights depend solely on the shareholdings stated in the evidence as of the record date for submission of proof (the "record date"). However, this record date does not in any way restrict the disposability of shareholdings. Even where shareholdings are sold in whole or in part after the record date, the shareholder's right to participate, and to exercise shareholder rights as well as the scope of the voting rights will be based solely on his/her respective shareholdings on the record date. This means that the sale of shares after the record date does not in any way affect the shareholder's right to participate in the Annual General Meeting or the scope of his/her voting rights. Corresponding provisions apply to the initial or further acquisition of shares after the record date. Anyone who does not hold shares in the Company at the record date, but subsequently becomes a shareholder of the Company may only participate in the Annual General Meeting and exercise shareholder rights (especially voting rights) to the extent that they have been authorised by the previous shareholder to act as a proxy. The record date has no bearing on possible dividend rights. Following receipt of registration and specific proof of shareholdings by the Company, voting cards for the exercise of shareholder rights at the Annual General Meeting including the logon data for the



shareholder portal for participating in the Annual General Meeting will be sent to the duly registered shareholders. To ensure timely receipt of the voting cards, shareholders should request them from their custodian banks at their earliest convenience.

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