EP Global Commerce GmbH with corporate seat in Grünwald, Germany

Announcement on the fulfillment of an offer condition re: foreign investment control approval for Italy

On 1 October 2020, EP Global Commerce GmbH (the "**Bidder**") published the offer document for its voluntary public takeover offer to the shareholders of METRO AG, Düsseldorf, Germany, regarding the acquisition of all non-par value ordinary bearer shares in METRO AG (ISIN DE000BFB0019) (the "**METRO Ordinary Shares**") not directly held by the Bidder against a cash consideration of EUR 8.48 per METRO Ordinary Share and of all non-par value non-voting preferred bearer shares in METRO AG (ISIN DE000BFB0027) (the "**METRO Preference Shares**") not directly held by the Bidder against a cash consideration of EUR 8.89 per METRO Preference Share (the "**Takeover Offer**") (the "**Offer Document**").

The acceptance period for the Takeover Offer ends on 29 October 2020, 24:00 hours (Frankfurt am Main local time) unless extended pursuant the provisions of the German Securities Acquisition and Takeover Act (*Wertpapiererwerbs- und Übernahmegesetz, WpÜG*).

- 1. Pursuant to Section 12.1 of the Offer Document, the Takeover Offer and the agreements which have been entered into as a result of the acceptance of the Takeover Offer by the shareholders of METRO AG are subject to the offer conditions described in Sections 12.1.1 to 12.1.4 of the Offer Document.
- 2. On 7 October 2020, the competent authority in Italy notified the Bidder that no Italian foreign investment control procedure is required for the Transaction (as defined in Section 11.1 of the Offer Document). Thereby, the offer condition described in Section 12.1.2(b) of the Offer Document (foreign investment control approval by the Italian government) is fulfilled.

Grünwald, 7 October 2020

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