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Good start for MEDISIZE into 2008

- Shareholders approve all proposals of the Board of Directors
- Dividend payment of 86% or CHF 4.30 per share
- Par value reduction by CHF 4.90 to CHF 0.10 per share
- Relevant trade and anti-trust authorities approve sale
- Pure play-dental company posts impressive growth in first quarter
- Medisize to become COLTENE
- Andreas Meldau new CEO

Wattwil, 16 April 2008. The shareholders have approved all proposals of the Board of Directors at today's Annual General Meeting of Medisize Holding AG, including the change of the company name to COLTENE Holding AG. COLTENE will pay a markedly increased ordinary dividend of 86% and reduce the par value of its shares from currently CHF 5.00 to CHF 0.10. The new pure-play dental company showed an impressive start into the year 2008 with a sales increase of 7.2% to CHF 40.1 million in the first quarter.

The shareholders of Medisize Holding AG (SWX Swiss Exchange: MSZN) approved all proposals of the Board of Directors at today's Annual General Meeting. In the context of the planned sale of the entire medical business, including the brand name Medisize, the company will change its name to COLTENE Holding AG, however the name of the operating dental company will continue to be Coltène/Whaledent. In addition, shareholders voted for a dividend payment of 86% or CHF 4.30 per share and agreed to reduce the par value from currently CHF 5.00 to CHF 0.10. These two measures will return a total of CHF 43.1 million to shareholders in the first half-year of 2008. Through a capital redemption program, it is planned to return an additional CHF 50 million to shareholders in the second half of 2008.

Changes in the Board of Directors and Management

Two members of the Board of Directors, Chairman Dr. Paul Hälgi and Dr. Walter Känel, have resigned from their offices effective as at this Annual General Meeting. Jerry Sullivan, former CEO of the combined Medisize Holding AG, was newly elected to the Board of Directors. Niklaus Huber and Robert Heberlein were re-elected for a term of office of one year; Matthew Robin is elected until the Annual General Meeting

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of 2009. The Board of Directors is now chaired by Niklaus Huber. As from now on Board of Directors members will be elected annually.

Effective as at the Annual General Meeting, Andreas Meldau has taken over the operational management of COLTENE as Chief Executive Officer. Dr. Hans Grüter continues to serve as Chief Financial Officer.

Trade and anti-trust authorities approve sale of medical business

The relevant trade and anti-trust authorities in Germany and Sweden have now all approved of the planned sale of the entire medical business to the Finnish Medifiq Healthcare Corporation. COLTENE Holding AG expects to close the transaction by the end of April, 2008.

Successful start of pure-play dental company into 2008

COLTENE, now a pure-play dental company, closed the first quarter of 2008 very successfully. Compared with the previous quarter, COLTENE achieved 7.2% higher sales of CHF 40.1 million for the first three months. At exchange rates comparable to 2007, the growth was 12.5%. All market regions and product categories contributed to this rise. In local currency, the US market increased in the first quarter by 11% over the previous quarter. In Swiss francs, the functional currency of the Group, consolidated sales would have remained on the previous year's level. In the European markets, COLTENE saw an increase in sales of 10%. Particularly strong growth rates were again recorded in Asia, the Middle East and Russia.

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