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### **Board of Directors of Sustainable Performance Group AG determines payout ratio and cash portion for par value reduction**

- **Implementation of extraordinary general meeting resolution creates necessary conditions for liquidity in the share and trading at a price closer to the share's net asset value**
- **Payout to shareholders scheduled for February 15, 2011**
- **New shares will be booked and the cash portion credited to the investors' accounts on February 18, 2011**

On November 29, 2010, the extraordinary general meeting of Sustainable Performance Group AG (SPG) had decided to reduce the company's ordinary share capital by CHF 12,096,000 to CHF 41,664,000 from CHF 53,760,000.

The par value of the bearer shares will be reduced to CHF 62 from CHF 80. This par value reduction by CHF 18 per share is implemented in the form of a payout of SPG treasury shares and a cash portion to shareholders. The Board of Directors determined the payout ratio and the cash portion on the basis of the closing price of the SPG share on February 8, 2011, which was CHF 175.00.

#### **0.11111 SPG shares and CHF 0.55 in cash will be paid per existing SPG share**

As of February 15, 2011, the SPG shares will be traded ex-right on the SIX Swiss Exchange, i.e. without entitlement to the payout.

Shareholders do not have to take any action. The shares will automatically be booked and the cash portion credited to the investors' accounts through the banking system on February 18, 2011. Odd lots (fractions of a full share at a net price of CHF 157.00) will basically be paid out in cash on February 25, 2011.

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diversified portfolio and invests in small and mid cap companies with global promise in these growth areas. The portfolio is supplemented up to a maximum of 10% by direct investments in young, unlisted companies (private equity). SPG engages SAM ([www.sam-group.com](http://www.sam-group.com)) as an investment advisor.

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