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Verschiebung der ausserordentlichen Generalversammlung der SCHMOLZ+BICKENBACH AG

Verhandlungen zur Rekapitalisierung der Gesellschaft brauchen mehr Zeit

Der Verwaltungsrat der SCHMOLZ+BICKENBACH AG hatte am 23. Juli 2013 mit Renova und der Gruppe der Schmolz+Bickenbach-Gründerfamilien (S+B KG) eine Vereinbarung getroffen, um einen geordneten Übergang der Verantwortung für das Unternehmen auf die Gruppe der Renova/S+B KG als neue Hauptaktionäre der Gesellschaft sicherzustellen. Diese Vereinbarung sah unter anderem die Durchführung einer ausserordentlichen Generalversammlung spätestens am 17. September 2013 vor. Der Verwaltungsrat der SCHMOLZ+BICKENBACH AG hat nun entschieden, diese ausserordentliche Generalversammlung auf spätestens 26. September 2013 zu verschieben.

Grund für die Verschiebung sind die laufenden Verhandlungen zwischen der Gesellschaft, den finanzierenden Banken und Renova über die Finanzierung bzw. Rekapitalisierung der Gesellschaft. Diese könnte allenfalls auch eine Erhöhung der von der ordentlichen Generalversammlung vom 28. Juni 2013 beschlossenen Kapitalerhöhung über CHF 330 Mio. beinhalten, was einen neuerlichen Generalversammlungsbeschluss erfordern würde. Einen entsprechenden Entscheid beabsichtigt der Verwaltungsrat spätestens am 29. August 2013 zu fällen und bekannt zu geben.

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