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AGRANA Beteiligungs-AG  
Board of Management  
Donau-City-Straße 9 (Strabag-Haus)  
1220 Vienna, Austria

Mannheim, June 2009

Dear Sir / Madam,

In accordance with Article 87, Para. 1a of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act (AktG), on the occasion of my nomination for a seat on the Supervisory Board of AGRANA Beteiligungs-AG and for the purposes of reporting to the Annual General Meeting of AGRANA Beteiligungs-AG on 10 July 2009, I wish to set out my specialist qualifications, professional and other functions, and any circumstances which may give rise to grounds for concern on the grounds of conflict of interests.

As a member of the Management Board of Südzucker, I am responsible for the areas of agricultural policies, beet, animal feed and by-products, farms / commodity markets and agricultural research and development.

As a result of this position and my previous responsibilities, I possess the relevant experience and knowledge necessitated by the role of a supervisory board member of AGRANA Beteiligungs-AG. In particular, my positions to date have given me ample opportunity to acquire the skills and experience required by a supervisory board member.

My professional and other relevant positions at the time of the AGM are set out in my accompanying curriculum vitae.

Furthermore, I hereby declare that no restrictions apply pursuant to Article 86, Para. 1, Sub-para. 1 of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act (AktG) with regard to the maximum number of supervisory board posts held at any one time.

Details of my activities at Südzucker AG and at other companies are contained in the enclosed curriculum vitae. It is my considered opinion that these activities represent no grounds for concern regarding the objective and independent performance of my office as a supervisory board member. This is all the more true given that I shall, in

my role as a supervisory board member, strive to disclose, as required, any conflicts of interest to the Supervisory Board and shall at all times perform my responsibilities as a supervisory board member of AGRANA Beteiligungs-AG with all due objectivity and in the interests of the Company.

I am of course available to take any questions which may arise either before or during the Annual General Meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Enclosure  
Curriculum Vitae

# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

## **Thomas Kirchberg, PhD.**

**Date of birth:** 27 February 1960  
**Place of birth:** Bad Nauheim, Germany  
**Marital status:** married, 2 sons, 1 daughter

### **Education**

- 03/1985 – 03/1988 Dissertation at the Institute of Sugar Beet Research Göttingen
- Studied Agriculture, speciality production of plants in Göttingen (1985: diploma examination)
- 1978: High school graduation at Augustinergymnasium Friedberg

### **Professional career**

- Since 1 September 2007 Member of the Management Board of Südzucker AG, Mannheim/Ochsenfurt, responsible for agricultural-political tasks, beets, animal feed/byproducts, agricultural industries/commodity markets, agricultural research and development
- 2004 – 2007 Spokesman of the Management Board Südzucker Polska, Resorts of responsibility: sales, organization, IT, public relations, quality management
- 1998 – 2003 Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Südzucker Moldawien
- Since 29.09.1997 Chief Executive Officer of Südzucker International GmbH
- Since 01.01.1995 Head of area management center
- Since 01.03.1991 Commissarial head of area management center
- Since 15.01.1989 Employee of area management center

### **Supervisory Board positions**

BENEO GmbH, Mannheim/Germany (Member)  
BGD Bodengesundheitsdienst GmbH, Mannheim/Germany (Chairman)  
Raffinerie Tirlemontoise S.A., Brüssel/Belgium (Member)  
Saint Louis Sucre S.A., Paris/France (Member)  
Südzucker Moldova S.A., Drochia/Moldova (Chairman)  
Südzucker Polska S.A., Wroclaw/Poland (Chairman)  
Südzucker Verwaltungs GmbH, Regensburg/Germany (Chairman)