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AMS Acquires the Clinical Chemistry Assets of Minias Globe

Rome, Italy (April 6, 2011) – AMS-Analyzer Medical System, a developer, manufacturer and marketer of automated chemistry instrumentation systems for the medical and environmental markets announces the asset acquisition of Minias Globe Diagnostics (“Globe”), a Milano based manufacturer and distributor of in-vitro diagnostic tests. The object of the transfer has been the assets of Globe’s clinical chemistry, turbidimetry and ELISA businesses.

“The acquisition brings unequivocal synergies both in sales & marketing and technical terms to us,” said Antonio Gagliarducci, CTO of AMS. “We have screened a number of companies in this space and in Globe we found the great combination of a highly experienced staff, established distributor network, quality reagent formulations and product coverage above market standards.”

“Globe’s team is enthusiastic to join forces and utilize synergies with AMS,” said Bruno Pizzochero, Globe Director.

Alfredo Gelodi, Sales Director of AMS added, “The integration of the Globe reagents and the well designed AMS instrumentation systems will provide undisputed benefits for our distributors and the end-users”.

The transaction was managed by Piero Strino, Financial Director of AMS.

About Globe

Minias Globe Diagnostics (www.gdsrl.com) is a manufacturer and distributor of clinical chemistry reagents, turbidimetry and ELISA kits in Milano, Italy. Globe’s research and production laboratories have been engaged for a long time in the development and production of diagnostic consumable kits that form a complete line, successfully commercialized internationally: enzymes, electrolytes, substrates, hemoglobin, hormones, tumor markers, viral hepatitis, retrovirus, and other infections. Its wide product portfolio complies with the European Directive 98/79/CE on in-vitro medical-diagnostic devices and is CE marked.

About the AMS Group

The AMS Group, with its Italian origins, has acquired a global reputation in the field of analytical instruments for the medical sector. With a buy-and-build growth policy, through acquisitions in the USA and France, the diversity of its ranges across its brands, the AMS Group is now one of the world's leading manufacturers of automated analytical instruments for public and private laboratories and large industrial companies, on three markets: i. Medical, ii. Environmental, iii. Agri-food.

Today, the AMS Group comprises of 6 companies: AMS - Analyzer Medical System (www.ams-analyzers.com), Westco Scientific Instruments (www.westcoscientific.com), Brookfield, CT, USA, Unity Scientific (www.unityscientific.com), Columbia, MD, USA, AMS L.L.C., Summerville, SC (sales@amsdiagnostics.com) and AMS France (www.alliance-instruments.com, www.ysebaert.com), Frepillon, France.

The original, core entity of AMS Group both in technological and historical terms is AMS-Analyzer Medical System, founded in 1992 by a group of businessmen who purchased the assets of Levtek Company (previously Polimak) to form an instrumentation business focused on both quality and delivery for the clinical markets. AMS has developed a team of outstanding engineers, scientists, software designers and staff with a proven record of product development from concept through production.

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