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Siemens optimizes its capital structure by equity to debt swap

Buys Back Shares, cancels Treasury Shares and intends to take advantage of favorable conditions in long end bond markets

Given the favorable capital market conditions Siemens AG will optimize its capital structure and intends to buy back shares in the amount of up to Euro 3 billion. The company also plans to cancel approximately 33 million treasury shares. The share buy back is planned to be financed mostly by long term debt. “The current debt markets environment for Siemens in combination with its current valuation of its shares offers a unique opportunity for value creation in the long-term. We will take advantage of this environment and execute on our “One Siemens” targets”, said Siemens Chief Financial Officer, Joe Kaeser.

The Managing Board has adopted today a share repurchase of up to Euro 3 billion which has been approved by the Supervisory Board backed by an authorization given by the Annual Shareholders' Meeting on January 25, 2011. The buy back is expected to be executed until December, 30 of 2012. The buy back serves the purposes of cancellation and reduction of capital stock, issuance to employees, board members of affiliated companies, members of the Managing Board as well as for convertible bonds and warrant bonds. In addition, the Managing Board has decided the cancellation of approximately 33 million treasury shares which will reduce the capital stock from 914 million to 881 million. The move is seen as a clear commitment of the company to fulfilling its capital structure goals of its “One Siemens” financial target system.

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