

Issy-Les-Moulineaux, May 19, 2011 – Sodexo is pleased to announce the signature of an agreement to purchase as a single block from Fonds Stratégique d'Investissement ("the FSI") its entire shareholding of 2,048,687 shares in Sodexo (approximately 1.3% of the share capital), for an amount of about 108.5 million euro (i.e., 52.97 euro per share representing the closing price on May 18, 2011).

This transaction is carried out pursuant to Sodexo's share repurchase program, as approved by its shareholders. The purchased shares will be used to cover stock option plans that Sodexo has put in place for its employees. This transaction will not change the shareholding structure, because the purchased shares will not be cancelled.

With this transaction, Sodexo has been able to manage the evolution of its share ownership profile while at the same time keeping its solid financial structure.

About Sodexo

Sodexo, world leader in Quality of Daily Life Solutions

Quality of Life services play an important role in the progress of individuals and the performance of organizations. Based on this conviction, Sodexo serves as the strategic partner for companies and institutions that place a premium on performance and well-being, as it has since Pierre Bellon founded the company in 1966. Sharing the same passion for service, Sodexo's 380,000 employees, in 80 countries design, manage and deliver an unrivaled range of On-site Service Solutions and Motivation Solutions. Sodexo has created a new form of service business that contributes to the economic, social and environmental development of the communities, regions and countries in which it operates and to the fulfillment of its employees.

Sodexo key figures (as of August 31, 2010)

Sodexo in the world

15.3 billion euro consolidated revenue

380,000 employees

34,000 sites

50 million consumers served daily

80 countries

21st largest employer worldwide

8.3 billion euro market capitalization

(as of May 18, 2011)

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