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MANAGEMENT AND BOARD INCREASE THEIR OWNERSHIP IN NOVESTRA AFTER ACQUISITION OF A TOTAL OF 1 MILLION SHARES FROM LENNART TENGROTH

In all, eight persons within Novestra's management and Board have acquired a total of 1,000,000 Novestra shares from Board member Lennart Tengroth, whose holding after the transfer amounts to 1,071,505 shares corresponding to 4.6% of the total amount of outstanding shares. The main purpose of the transaction has been to provide key persons in the company with the possibility to increase their ownership through a transaction structure which links the price of the shares to the future development in value of the Novestra share.

About Novestra

AB Novestra is one of the leading independent venture capital investment companies in the Nordic region with focus on companies providing enabling services and technologies for the communications industry. Novestra's portfolio of companies includes B2 Bredband AB, Comintell Holding AB, Continuum Group Ltd, Fanglobe Inc, Iquity Systems Inc, Multilet AB, Netsurvey AB, PowerNet AB and Qbranch AB. Novestra's shares are listed on the O-List of Stockholmsborsen.

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