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Getinge continues to strengthen its presence in the cardiovascular market, through the acquisition of Datascope Corp

- Getinge agrees to acquire Datascope, a worldwide leader in counterpulsation therapy
- Getinge to pay \$53 per share in cash, representing 34% premium to Datascope's volume weighted trading price prior to its June 4th announcement to seek strategic alternatives for the company
- Datascope's businesses meaningfully expand Getinge's cardiovascular business worldwide, reinforcing the company's focus on both cardiac surgery and vascular interventions
- The transaction is expected to be earnings accretive by 2010

Getinge AB, (STO:GETIB) a global medical technology company with, among other, operations in the cardiac surgery and vascular surgery markets, announced that it has agreed to acquire Datascope Corp. (NASDAQ: DSCP), a leader in the cardiovascular market, predominantly in the area of cardiac assist and vascular surgery, for \$53.00 per share, or an aggregate equity value of \$865 million in cash. Adjusting for Datascope's net cash position of \$247 million (net of estimated tax liabilities related to recent divestitures), the total enterprise value is \$618 million, which implies an EBITDA multiple of 12.9x, based on 2007/08 EBITDA of \$48 million. The offer price represents a premium of 33.6% to Datascope's volume weighted average price of \$39.67 for the three-month period ended June 3, 2008 ("Reference Share Price"), the day before the Board of Directors of Datascope announced that it was exploring strategic options for the company. The Board of Directors of Datascope has unanimously approved the transaction and will recommend the offer to Datascope's shareholders.

Strategic Rationale

Getinge is a leading medical technology company with existing operations in the cardiac and vascular surgery markets. Getinge has previously stated its desire to build its Cardiovascular division into a world leading business with a focus on cardiac surgery, vascular intervention and cardiac assist. The acquisition of Datascope is an important step in this direction and represents a very strong addition to Getinge's product portfolio as well as its sales organisation. Pro forma, Getinge's cardiovascular division generates sales in excess of \$650 million, after the acquisition of Datascope.

Synergies

Getinge management expects significant synergies from this transaction, principally from a revenue perspective. Synergies will come both from product and geographic cross selling opportunities. Datascope also provides Getinge with access to the interventional cardiology market which is expected to significantly support the launch of Getinge's new cardiac assist product; Cardiohelp. Datascope's vascular surgery business has a number of exciting products in the pipeline, which are complementary to Getinge's current vascular surgery portfolio.

Transaction Structure and Financial Impact on Getinge
Under the terms of the merger agreement, Getinge will commence a cash
tender offer to acquire all outstanding shares of Datascope's common stock at
a price of \$53.00 per share. Getinge's obligation to consummate the tender
offer is conditional upon the tender of at least a majority of the fully diluted
Datascope shares in the offer, and the satisfaction of regulatory and other
customary closing conditions. Following completion of the tender offer, any
remaining Datascope shares would be acquired in a merger for \$53.00 per
share.

Getinge will finance the transaction using a fully underwritten credit facility from Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB ("SEB"), one of the leading commercial banks in Europe. Getinge intends to refinance part of the credit facility through a new share issue following the closing of the acquisition. The new share issue is expected to raise approximately SEK 1.0 billion and is being guaranteed by Carl Bennet AB, a company owned by Getinge's Chairman and principal shareholder, Carl Bennet.

The acquisition is expected to contribute to Getinge's earnings per share, after acquisition related intangible amortization and financings costs, starting in 2010.

Merrill Lynch International acted as financial advisor to Getinge and Lehman Brothers acted as financial advisor to Datascope. Alston & Bird and Dechert LLP served as legal advisors to Getinge and Datascope, respectively.

About Datascope

Datascope operates in the cardiovascular market. The operation is divided into two divisions, Cardiac Assist and Intervascular. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, the company achieved sales of \$231 million, an 8% increase over fiscal year 2007 sales. 2008 EBITDA increased to \$48 million or 14% compared to 2007 EBITDA, adjusted for recent divestitures. The assets of Datascope as of June 30, 2008 totalled approximately \$522 million, liabilities amounted to \$115 million and equity equalled \$407 million. Based on preliminary estimates total non-goodwill intangible assets will be approximately \$340 million. As of 30 June, 2008 Datascope had approximately 765 employees.

Cardiac Assist

Counterpulsation is a tried and tested therapy, which is used to improve the blood circulation in a patient's coronary arteries. The therapy is used in

conjunction with both surgical interventions and cardiology procedures. The products which are used in counterpulsation therapy are Intra Aortic Baloon Pumps (IABP) and balloon catheters where the disposable balloon catheter is inserted percutaneously into the patient's thoracic aorta. Datascope has been the leader of this market since the 1970s. In the latest fiscal year, IABP products accounted for 75% of Datascope's total sales. 72% of revenues from the Cardiac Assist division consist of single use catheters, services and other disposables. The Cardiac Assist division also offers an innovative and rapidly growing hemostasis product to stop bleeding after catheterization.

Intervascular

Datascope's Intervascular division designs, manufactures and distributes products for vascular surgery and endovascular interventions. Importantly, Datascope's intervascular product portfolio expands Getinge's product offering into the rapidly growing peripheral vascular stent market.

Geographical Footprint

Manufacturing and product development for Cardiac Assist products are located in Fairfield and Mahwah, New Jersey. Vascular products are manufactured and developed in La Ciotat, France.

Of Datascope's total sales, c.43% is sold in North America, c.40% in EMEA and c.17% in the rest of the world. Datascope sells directly through own sales companies in USA, Canada, UK, France, Germany, Benelux, Spain, Italy and Japan. The company also has a well developed network of agents and distributors.

A telephone conference with Johan Malmquist, CEO, and Ulf Grunander, CFO, will be held on September 16 at 09.30 CET.

To participate in the telephone conference, please dial:

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09.15 Call in to the conference

09.30 Presentation and questions & answers

During the telephone conference a presentation will be held. To access the presentation

please use this link:

https://www.anywhereconference.com/?Conference=108224080&PIN=61640

The presentation is also available on http://www.getingegroup.com

A recorded version of the conference can be accessed for 5 working days on following number:

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