

Nordic Capital Fund V sells Atos Medical to EQT VI

Nordic Capital Fund V ("Nordic Capital") today announced the divestment of the medical devices company Atos Medical to EQT VI. The parties have agreed not to disclose the terms of the transaction. Atos Medical, headquartered in Hörby in southern Sweden, was acquired by Nordic Capital in 2005 from Fisher Scientific International.

Atos Medical is the undisputed global market leader and provider of proprietary medical devices focused on laryngology, including heat and moisture exchangers and voice prosthesis. It leads in all aspects of the value chain, including R&D, design, manufacturing, marketing and distribution. In 2010, the annual revenues increased to €64m, and since Nordic Capital's acquisition, the company has had a continuous track record of double digit growth.

"During Nordic Capital's ownership of Atos Medical, the company has continued its positive development and strong international growth, organically as well as through acquisitions. I am certain it will remain the brand of choice among surgeons and speech pathologists, and continue to improve the quality of patients' lives", said Christian Frick at NC Advisory AB, advisor to the Nordic Capital Funds.

"During these years, we have received unprecedented commitment from Nordic Capital, and their active ownership has been instrumental in supporting Atos Medical's strengthening of its global market leading position in its field. Our passion has always been to improve quality of life for patients and yet so many more have to benefit. Our journey that almost has begun will now continue to next levels with EQT VI as an effective and supportive owner", said Tommy Hedberg, CEO of Atos Medical.

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About Atos Medical

Atos Medical is a global medical technology company that develops, manufactures and markets products within the ear, nose and throat areas. It was founded in Sweden in 1986 by the two brothers Gert and Jan-Ove Persson. It sells its products via nine sales companies in the US and Europe, and a network of distributors in about 50 countries. Since 2005, it is owned by Nordic Capital Fund V, with board directors and employees of the company holding a minority (5.4%). It is headquartered in Hörby, Sweden, and has close to 300 employees.

About Nordic Capital Private Equity Funds

Since the start in 1989, Nordic Capital Private Equity Funds have invested in large and medium sized companies, primarily in Northern Europe. Through committed ownership and by targeting strategic development and operational improvements, Nordic Capital creates value in its investments. The funds invest in companies in Northern Europe and in selected investment opportunities internationally. They are based in Jersey, Channel Islands, and are advised by the NC Advisory companies in Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Norway, Germany and the UK. Additional information about Nordic Capital is available through its corporate website, www.nordiccapital.com.