

## **Withdrawal of Partial Offer**

# **ACP Acquisition GmbH**

## **Public Tender Offer (partial offer)**

of

### **ACP Acquisition GmbH, Baar, Switzerland**

(whereby ACP Intermediate Acquisition S. à r.l., Luxembourg, fully guarantees all obligations of ACP Acquisition GmbH under the partial offer)

for a maximum of 8,716,521 publicly held bearer shares with a nominal value of CHF 10 each (partial offer) of

### **Absolute Private Equity Ltd, Zug, Switzerland**

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#### **A. Introduction**

In the offer prospectus dated July 27, 2011, ACP Acquisition GmbH, Baar, Switzerland («**ACP**»), published its public tender offer (the «**Partial Offer**») for a maximum of 8,716,521 publicly held bearer shares with a nominal value of CHF 10 each (the «**Absolute-Shares**») of Absolute Private Equity Ltd, Zug, Switzerland («**Absolute**»).

In its decision 477/05 dated August 15, 2011, the Takeover Board granted ACP the right to withdraw the Partial Offer until September 20, 2011 at the latest, provided that the public tender offer of HarbourVest Acquisition GmbH («**HarbourVest**») for all publicly held Absolute-Shares (the «**HarbourVest-Offer**») has been closed by that point in time, and extended the cooling-off period for the Partial Offer until such date.

On September 5, 2011, HarbourVest published the definitive end result of the HarbourVest-Offer. Pursuant to the published definitive end result, a total of 43,005,846 Absolute-Shares or 98.68% of the issued Absolute-Shares, respectively, had been tendered to HarbourVest as of the end of the additional acceptance period. The HarbourVest-Offer was settled on September 13, 2011.

#### **B. Withdrawal of Partial Offer**

ACP herewith withdraws the Partial Offer.

## **C. Publication and Documentation**

The withdrawal of the Partial Offer is published in the Neuen Zürcher Zeitung in German as well as in Le Temps in French. It is also provided to Bloomberg and Reuters.

For a limited period of time, the complete offer documentation can still be obtained without delay and free of charge from Valartis Bank AG, Sihlstrasse 24, Postfach, CH-8021 Zurich, Switzerland (phone: +41 (0)43 336 81 48; telefax: +41 (0)43 336 81 00; e-mail: [prospectus@valartis.ch](mailto:prospectus@valartis.ch)) and is also accessible under [www.acp-acquisition.ch](http://www.acp-acquisition.ch).

Offer Manager: Valartis Bank AG

Bearer Shares of Absolute Private Equity Ltd

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