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## WALTER MEIER SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETES ANNIVERSARY PAYOUT

**To mark its 75th anniversary, Walter Meier announced its intention on May 24, 2012, to arrange a put option issue. The associated buyback of shares, undertaken for capital reduction purposes, is now complete. The take-up rate is 98.77 percent for the -A- put options and 100 percent for the -B- put options.**

The buyback program lasted from June 4 to 15, 2012, using tradable put options, whereby 20 -A- put options entitled the user to tender one -A- registered share at a price of CHF 260. An equivalent payout was arranged for non-listed -B- registered shares.

The put options were exercised on June 15, 2012. A total of 1'438'560 -A- put options and 3'300'000 -B- put options were registered to be exercised. The tendered shares represent 4.98 percent of the votes and 4.96 percent share of the capital. In financial terms, the share buyback amounts to approximately CHF 27.3 million.

As a result, the Board of Directors of Walter Meier Ltd. will propose at the 2013 annual shareholders' meeting to reduce the share capital by canceling the shares bought back. The 71'928 tendered -A- shares and the 165'000 -B- shares will be held by Walter Meier Ltd. until they are canceled.

### **Further information**

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Walter Meier is an international climate and manufacturing technology group. The company was founded in 1937 and today its 1700 employees generate sales of approximately CHF 650 million. Shares in Walter Meier are listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (symbol WMN).