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Group DC and HAWITA Group join forces

Antwerp/Vechta, 08.05.2023: As of today, the HAWITA Group from Vechta will become a member of the

DC Group, a family-run company from Antwerp (Belgium). The aim of the merger is to join forces and

offer customers in the green industry even better products and services in the future. Among other things,

the focus is on raw material development and joint sales. Under the umbrella of Group DC, HAWITA will

remain with you as an independent company with the management team you know.

With its plant care division, Group DC is a leading manufacturer and trendsetter of organic-based fertilizers

in Europe. However, the range also includes soils, plant strengtheners, seeds and biological crop

protection. Tom De Ceuster, Managing Director of Group DC, is pleased about the future cooperation:

"The portfolios of the HAWITA Group and Group DC complement each other perfectly. Together, we are

even more powerful and offer hobby and professional customers everything they need for their success."

The HAWITA Group has been a leading manufacturer of high-quality soils, substrates and planters for

many years with locations in Germany, Italy and the Baltic States. Simon Tabeling, Managing Director of

the HAWITA Group, sees the merger as a great opportunity for further growth in a challenging market

environment: "I am convinced that Group DC is the ideal partner for the HAWITA Group. Our customers

will benefit from the new opportunities in the areas of research and development. I look forward to

continuing to drive forward the development as Managing Director in the future."

Information about the companies:

www.groupdc.be

www.hawita.de

Group DC is a family-owned company based in Antwerp, Belgium. The company offers a wide portfolio of products, including potting soils, plastic containers and, in particular, fertilizers in Minigran®, which are marketed under the DCM brand. Group DC is committed to sustainability and environmental protection and invests in research and development to continuously improve its products. In doing so, the company works closely with research institutes, farmers, gardeners and other professionals in the green sector.

The HAWITA Group is a family-owned company with over 100 years of experience in horticulture. The company is headquartered in Vechta, Germany and operates production facilities in Germany and the Baltic States. The HAWITA Group's broad product portfolio includes soils and substrates, plastic planters and paper pots. The products are characterized by high quality and innovative properties. The company relies on state-of-the-art technology to meet customer requirements while considering environmental protection.