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## Bader - Gnehm & Partner, Attorneys-at-law, advised shareholders of PharmaSwiss S.A. regarding its acquisition by Valeant Pharmaceuticals International, Inc.

On February 1, 2011 Valeant Pharmaceuticals International, Inc. (NYSE / TSX: VRX) and HBM BioVentures Ltd, Switzerland (SIX: HBMN) announced that they have signed a binding agreement for Valeant to acquire all issued shares of PharmaSwiss SA, a privately-owned branded generics and over-the-counter (OTC) pharmaceutical company based in Zug, Switzerland, for EUR 350 million. The closing is expected in the first or second quarter of 2011, subject to customary closing conditions, including certain regulatory approvals.

HBM BioVentures and the other selling shareholders of PharmaSwiss SA were advised by Bader Gnehm & Partner, Attorneys-at-law, Switzerland and another law firm. The team of Bader Gnehm & Partner was led by partner Oliver Gnehm (M&A and corporate matters).

Lars-Kristian Bråten, who led the negotiations for HBM BioVentures comments: "We were very pleased with the responsiveness, dedication and high quality work of Oliver Gnehm of Bader Gnehm & Partner and the overall legal team. The highly committed team allowed this complex transaction to be concluded within a very short timeframe."

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