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Attention Ms Amy O'Brien

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Dear Sirs,

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**Re. Cassa di Risparmio di Firenze S.p.A. - File number 82-5126 - Information furnished pursuant to Rule 12g3-2b under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Please find enclosed the following document :

- **Press release: EPTACONSORS Spa decides to pay out extraordinary dividend**

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In order to facilitate your work, I have included the Annex A.

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Yours sincerely,

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## CASSA DI RISPARMIO DI FIRENZE

### **EPTACONSORS SPA DECIDES TO PAY OUT EXTRAORDINARY DIVIDEND**

At the meeting held on November 4th 2002, the shareholders of Eptaconsors approved payout of an extraordinary dividend of € 0.70 per share for a total of € 86,800,000. The dividend, which relates to undistributed 2000 earnings of the company Eptafund SpA, will be eligible for payment as from today.

Cassa di Risparmio di Firenze, by virtue of its 20.24% stake in the company, will collect € 17,567,951.10.

The stake in question was recently sold to Sanpaolo IMI SpA for € 18,652,708.25, a figure that joins the extraordinary dividend mentioned above. Possible positive price adjustment may follow the increase in value of some asset items.

The divestiture, for the completion of which formal authorisations has to be collected, is part of the Cassa di Risparmio di Firenze Group's plan to rationalise equity investments in the constant quest for the best possible trade-off between capital allocation and commercial objectives.

Florence, November 5<sup>th</sup> 2002

## ANNEX A

### REPORTING/DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO CASSA DI RISPARMIO DI FIRENZE S.p.A.

Type of information	Period of filing or disclosure	Source of requirement ("CRF")	Where/how to file, make public or distribute
<p>1. <i>Annual reports of CRF, including (i) the Board of Directors' report, (ii) the Board of Auditors' report and (iii) the minutes of the shareholders' meeting which approved the annual financial statements.</i></p> <p><i>Consolidated annual reports of the CRF Group. The external auditors' reports. Financial statements of CRF's subsidiaries or a summary thereof. Summary of the main line items of the financial statements of CRF's affiliates.<sup>1</sup></i></p>	<p>By the day following the date of approval of the annual financial statements by CRF's shareholders' meeting.</p>	<p>Arts. 77 and 96 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.</p>	<p><i>Borsa Italiana</i> (Italian Stock Exchange) and CONSOB. The information must be made available to the public at the registered office of CRF. The availability of the documents must be disclosed through a public announcement in at least one daily newspaper with national circulation in Italy.</p>
<p><i>Annual reports of CRF, including (i) the Board of Directors' report, (ii) the Board of Auditors' report, and (iii) the minutes of the shareholders' meeting which approved the annual financial statements.</i></p>	<p>Within 30 days from the date of approval of the annual financial statements by CRF's shareholders' meeting.</p>	<p>Art. 2435 of the Italian Civil Code.</p>	<p>The annual report and the minutes of the shareholders' meeting which approved the financial statements have to be filed with the local Companies' Register (<i>Ufficio del Registro delle Imprese</i>).</p>

<sup>1</sup> The minutes of the shareholders' meeting at which the financial statements are (or are not) approved must be made available to the public at the registered office of CRF and sent to the Italian Stock Exchange and CONSOB within seven days from the date of such shareholders' meeting. If the shareholders' meeting requires amendments to the financial statements, the financial statements as amended must be made available to the public and sent to the Italian Stock Exchange and CONSOB within three days from the relevant shareholders' meeting.

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2. <i>Semi-annual reports of CRF, including (i) the Board of Directors' report, (ii) the Board of Auditors' remarks, if any, and (iii) the external auditors' report, if any.</i>	Within four months of the end of the first semester of each accounting year.	Arts. 81 and 96 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	Italian Stock Exchange and CONSOB. The information must be made available to the public at the registered office of CRF. The availability of the documents must be disclosed through a public announcement in at least one daily newspaper with national circulation in Italy.
3. <i>Quarterly reports.</i>	Within 45 days of the end of each quarter of each accounting year.	Arts. 82 and 96 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	Italian Stock Exchange and CONSOB. The information must be made available to the public at the registered office of CRF. The availability of the documents has to be disclosed through a public announcement in at least one daily newspaper with national circulation in Italy. <sup>2</sup>
4. <i>Prospectuses.</i>	Must be notified and registered with CONSOB and, where the prospectus is also a prospectus for admission to listing, the Italian Stock Exchange, prior to delivery to the public.	Art. 94 of Legislative Decree No. 58/1998.	CONSOB and, where the prospectus is also a prospectus for admission to listing, the Italian Stock Exchange, and the public at large.
5. <i>Dividend declarations.</i>	Must be approved by shareholders at the annual general meeting that approves the financial statements and disclosed promptly to CONSOB, the Italian Stock Exchange and the public.	Art. 2433 of the Italian Civil Code.	Italian Stock Exchange and CONSOB. The information must be made available at the registered office of CRF. The availability of such information has to be disclosed through a public announcement in at least one daily newspaper with national circulation in Italy.
6. <i>Preliminary profit announcements.</i>	Must be disclosed promptly.	Arts. 66 and 68 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	Italian Stock Exchange and CONSOB. The information must be made available to the public, including through a press release to at least two press agencies.
7. <i>Periodic accounting information and budget announcements.</i>	Must be disclosed promptly.	Arts. 66 and 68 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	Italian Stock Exchange and CONSOB. The information must be made available to the public, including through a press release to at least two press agencies.

<sup>2</sup> Exemptions apply for quarterly reports due at the end of each semester and each accounting year, provided certain conditions are met.

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8. <i>Board of Directors' resolutions concerning the approval of the financial statements of CRF and of the CRF group, the semi-annual accounts and proposals for dividend distribution.</i>	Must be disclosed promptly.	Art. 66 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	Italian Stock Exchange and CONSOB. The information must be made available to the public, including through a press release to at least two press agencies.
9. <i>Information and documents relating to mergers and demergers.</i>			
(a) Merger/demerger proposal.	No later than 30 days prior to the date of the shareholders' meeting to which the proposal will be submitted.	Art. 2501 <i>bis</i> and Art. 2504 <i>octies</i> of the Italian Civil Code.	The information must be filed with the Companies' Register and a summary must be published in the Italian Official Gazette.
(b) Merger/demerger proposal. Financial condition of the companies involved in the merger/demerger.	No later than 30 days prior to the date of the shareholders' meeting to which the proposal will be submitted.	Art. 70 and 90 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	Italian Stock Exchange and CONSOB. The information must be made available to the public, including at the registered office of CRF. The availability of such information has to be disclosed through a public announcement in at least one daily newspaper with national circulation in Italy no later than 25 days prior to the date of the relevant shareholders' meeting.
(c) Report of the Board of Directors to the Shareholders on the merger/demerger.	No later than 30 days prior to the date of the shareholders' meeting to which the proposal will be submitted.	Art. 90 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	CONSOB.
(d) Information memorandum.	No later than 10 days prior to the date of the shareholders' meeting to which the proposal will be submitted.	Arts. 70 and 90 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	CONSOB may require that an information memorandum (prepared in accordance with the format set forth by CONSOB) be made available to the public at the registered office of CRF, the Italian Stock Exchange and CONSOB. The availability of such information must be disclosed through the public announcement specified above sub (b).
(e) Resolution of the shareholders' meeting which approved the merger/demerger.	Within 30 days from the date of the relevant shareholders' meeting.	Art. 90 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99. Art. 2502 <i>bis</i> and Art. 2504 <i>novies</i> of the Italian Civil Code.	CONSOB. The information must be filed together with a number of attachments with the Companies' Register and a summary must be published in the Italian Official Gazette.
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(f) Deed of merger/demerger.	Within 30 days of execution	Art. 2504 and Art. 2504	The information must be filed with the

	of the deed of merger/demerger.	<i>novies</i> of the Italian Civil Code.	Companies' Register.	
(g)	Deed of merger/demerger.	Within 10 days of the registration of the deed of merger/demerger with the Companies' Register.	Art. 90 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	CONSOB.
10.	<b><i>Information memorandum regarding acquisitions and disinvestments.</i></b>	No later than 15 days from CONSOB's request.	Arts. 71 and 91 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	CONSOB may require, depending on the type and size of the acquisition/ Disinvestment, that an information memorandum (prepared in accordance with the format set forth by CONSOB) be made available to the public at the registered office of CRF, the Italian Stock Exchange and CONSOB. The availability of such document has to be disclosed promptly through a public announcement in at least one daily newspaper with national circulation in Italy.
11.	<b><i>Amendments to the by-laws.</i></b>			
(a)	Report of the Board of Directors to the shareholders on the proposed amendments (in the format set out by CONSOB).	At least 30 days prior to the date of the shareholders' meeting to which the amendments will be submitted.	Art. 92, par. 1, (a) of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	CONSOB.
		At least 15 days prior to the date of the shareholders' meeting to which the amendments will be submitted.	Art. 72, par. 2 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	The information must be made available to the public at the registered office of CRF and the Italian Stock Exchange.
(b)	Amended text of the by-laws together with the resolution of the shareholders' meeting which approved the amendments.	Within 30 days from the date of the shareholders' meeting that approved the amendments.	Art. 2436 of the Italian Civil Code.	The information must be filed with the Companies' Register.
12.	<b><i>Issue of debt securities.</i></b>			
(a)	Report of the Board of Directors to the shareholders on the proposed issue of debt securities.	At least 30 days prior to the date of the shareholders' meeting to which the issue will be submitted.	Art. 92 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	CONSOB.

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	At least 15 days prior to the date of the shareholders' meeting to which the issue will be submitted.	Art. 75 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	The information (in the format set out by CONSOB) must be made available to the public at the registered office of CRF and the Italian Stock Exchange.
(b) Resolution of the shareholders' meeting which has approved the issue of the debt securities.	Within 30 days from the date of the relevant shareholders' meeting.	Art. 2411 of the Italian Civil Code.	The Companies' Register.
<b>13. Changes in share capital.</b>			
(a) Report of the Board of Directors to the shareholders on the proposed change in share capital.	At least 30 days prior to the date of the shareholders' meeting to which the change in share capital will be submitted.	Art. 92 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	CONSOB.
	At least 15 days <sup>3</sup> prior to the date of the shareholders' meeting to which the change in share capital will be submitted.	Art. 72 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	The information (in the format set out by CONSOB) must be made available to the public at the registered office of CRF and the Italian Stock Exchange.
(b) Report of the external auditors appointed by the Florence Court. <sup>4</sup>	At least 15 days prior to the date of the shareholders' meeting to which the change in share capital will be submitted.	Art. 72 and 92 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	CONSOB. The information must be made available to the public at the registered office of CRF and the Italian Stock Exchange.
(c) Resolution of the shareholders' meeting which has approved the change in share capital.	Within 30 days from the date of the shareholders' meeting which has approved the change in share capital.	Art. 2436 of the Italian Civil Code.	The information must be filed with the Companies' Register.
		Art. 92 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	CONSOB.
(d) Amended text of the by-laws.	Within 30 days from the date of the shareholders' meeting which has approved the change in share capital.	Art. 2436 of the Italian Civil Code.	The information (showing the new amount of share capital) must be filed with the Companies' Register.
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<sup>3</sup> In the event of a capital decrease due to losses, such period is reduced to eight days prior to the date of the shareholders' meeting to which the change in share capital will be submitted (art. 74 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99). In this case, CRF must file with CONSOB the minutes of the shareholders' meeting which resolved upon the capital decrease due to losses, within 30 days from such meeting (art. 94 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99).

<sup>4</sup> Only when the increase in share capital is made with the exclusion of pre-emptive rights, or with assets in kind.

		Within 30 days from the date of filing with the Companies' Register.	Art. 92 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	CONSOB.
<b>14. Acquisition/sale of treasury stock.</b>				
(a)	Report of the Board of Directors to the shareholders on the proposed acquisition or sale of treasury stock.	At least 15 days prior to the date of the shareholders' meeting to which the acquisition or sale of treasury stock will be submitted.	Arts. 73 and 93 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	CONSOB. The information (in the format set out by CONSOB) must be made available to the public at the registered office of CRF and the Italian Stock Exchange.
(b)	Minutes of the shareholders' meeting which approved the acquisition or sale of treasury stock.	Within 30 days from the relevant shareholders' meeting.	Art. 93 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	CONSOB.
<b>15. Notice of changes in directors, statutory auditors or general manager.</b>		Within 10 days of appointment/removal.	Art. 100 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	Details of the new/resigned directors, statutory auditors or general manager must be filed with CONSOB.
	<b>Notice of changes in directors.</b>	Within 15 days of appointment/removal.	Art. 2383 of the Italian Civil Code.	Details of the new/resigned directors must be filed with Companies' Register.
<b>16. Shareholders' meetings.</b>				
(a)	Notice convening shareholders' meetings stating, <i>inter alia</i> , agenda of meetings.	30 days before shareholders' meetings.	Ministerial Decree No. 437/98.	Publication in the Italian Official Gazette.
(b)	Directors' report on proposals included in the agenda.	15 days before shareholders' meeting.	Ministerial Decree No. 437/98.	Such information must be made available to the public at the registered office of CRF and the Italian Stock Exchange.
<b>17. Trading on listed securities issued by CRF or other companies of the CRF Group or related securities.</b>		Within 3 working days from the end of each calendar month.	Arts. 87 and Annex 3F of CONSOB Regulation 11971/99.	CRF must deliver to CONSOB a report on the trades made by CRF or other companies of the CRF Group on listed securities issued by CRF or other companies of the CRF Group or related securities. Such information, provided that certain thresholds are met, must be made available to the public at the Italian Stock Exchange and through a press release to at least two press agencies, within five working days from the end of each calendar month.
<b>18. Opening/closing of branches.</b>		Must be disclosed promptly.	Rules of the Companies' Register	The opening/closing of the branch must be notified to the Companies Register.

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19. <i>Other material information.</i>	Must be disclosed promptly.	Art. 66 of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971/99.	Any material information must be disclosed to CONSOB and the Italian Stock Exchange and made available to the public by way of a press release to at least two press agencies.