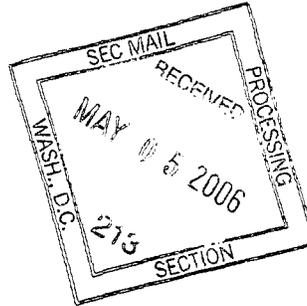




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AGM CSM: APPOINTMENTS AND DIVIDEND ADOPTED

Diemen, the Netherlands, 26 April 2006—Today, at the annual General Shareholders' Meeting of CSM, Koos Kramer, Gilles van Nieuwenhuizen and Reinoud Plantenberg were appointed to the Board of Management of CSM. Prof. L.A.A. van den Berghe was reappointed in the Supervisory Board.

Dividend

The General Shareholders' Meeting adopted the dividend for 2005, as proposed at EUR 0.80 per (depository receipt of) ordinary share. The amount for the cash dividend equals the cash dividend for 2004. The dividend of EUR 0.80 will be paid on 9 May 2006 subject to the deduction of 25% dividend tax. The ex-dividend date will be 28 April 2006.

CSM confirms that Q1 results 2006 are in line with previously announced guidance.

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Background information

CSM is a global producer and distributor of bakery products and food ingredients. CSM's main product groups include bakery ingredients and products, lactic acid and lactic acid derivatives, and sugar. With these activities CSM has an annual turnover of EUR 2.6 billion and a workforce of approximately 8,500. CSM operates in Europe, the United States, Canada, Brazil, and Asia. More info: www.csm.nl

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