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ASM LITHOGRAPHY (NL) TAKES OVER SILICON VALLEY GROUP

➤ INCREASED WEIGHTINGS: ASM LITHOGRAPHY (NL) — MAY 28, 2001

• NEW NO. OF SHARES: 467,000,000 - MAY 28, 2001

• NEW FREE FLOAT MARKET CAP: 13.9 BEUR - MAY 28, 2001

• NEW FREE FLOAT FACTOR: 93.58% - May 28, 2001

Zurich, May 23, 2001:

ASM Lithography (NL0000334365) – the Netherlands technology company – will take over **Silicon Valley Group** – a non-component:

• **ASM Lithography's** number of shares will increase from 418,409,982 to 467,000,000 shares necessitating changes to its weightings in the respective Dow Jones Euro STOXXSM Total Market Indexes (TMI), TMI Large, Euro STOXXSM 600, Large 200 and Dow Jones Euro STOXX Technology indexes, effective May 28, 2001*.

The free float market capitalisation will increase from 10.2 BEUR** to approx. 13.9 BEUR**, effective May 28, 2001.

The weighting will be 0.56% in the Dow Jones Euro STOXXSM TMI Large index, 0.53% in the Dow Jones Euro STOXXSM Large 200 index, 3.29% in the Dow Jones Euro STOXXSM TMI Technology index and 3.49% in the Dow Jones Euro STOXXSM Technology index, effective May 28, 2001.

The free float factor will change from 76.1% to 93.58%, effective May 28, 2001*.

^{*} This change to the index composition is in line with the "Dow Jones STOXXSM Index Guide", Version 6.0, September 2000; Section 5.2: Replacement of Deleted Components, Section 5.4: Mergers & Takeovers, Section 5.7: Weighting Change and, Section 5.8: Free Float Factor Changes. The Index Guide is available from STOXX Limited and freely downloadable from www.stoxx.com.

^{**} The market capitalisation quoted – in billion euros (BEUR) – is based on the respective official closing stock price on May 22, 2001.