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**Danske Bank – major shareholder announcement**

This is to announce that, pursuant to section 29 of the Danish Securities Trading Act, the A.P. Møller and Chastine Mc-Kinney Møller Foundation has informed Danske Bank A/S, CVR No. 61126228, (“the Company”) that the transactions described in this announcement have been made as part of the offering by A.P. Møller - Mærsk A/S, CVR No. 22756214, of shares in the Company, as described in A.P. Møller - Mærsk A/S’s company announcement dated 19 March 2015 (“the Offering”). According to the timetable for the Offering, the transactions will be executed no later than 8 April 2015.

A.P. Møller og Hustru Chastine Mc-Kinney Møllers Fond til almene Formaal (“the A.P. Møller Foundation”), CVR No. 11666779, Esplanaden 50, DK-1263 København K, announces that

* on 30 March 2015, A.P. Møller - Mærsk A/S has agreed to sell, on the terms and conditions stated in the Offering, 186,045,667 shares of a nominal amount of DKK 10 each (a total nominal amount of DKK 1,860,456,670) in the Company, corresponding to a total of 18.45% of total issued share capital and 18.45% of total voting rights. After the divestment, A.P. Møller - Mærsk A/S will hold 1.60% of total issued share capital and 1.60% of total voting rights in the Company.
* the A.P. Møller Foundation holds the entire share capital in A.P. Møller Holding A/S, CVR No. 25679288, which holds 41.51% of the total share capital (excluding own shares) and 51.23% of total voting rights (excluding own shares) in A.P. Møller - Mærsk A/S. At today’s date, and thus prior to the above-mentioned divestment, the A.P. Møller Foundation and A.P. Møller Holding A/S combined directly and indirectly (including shares held by A.P. Møller - Mærsk A/S) hold 232,218,376 shares of a nominal amount of DKK 10 each (a total nominal amount of DKK 2,322,183,760) in the Company, corresponding to a total of 23.03% of total issued share capital and 23.03% of total voting rights in the Company.
* on 30 March 2015, APMH Invest A/S, CVR No. 36533846, acquired the right to receive 201,724,001 shares of a nominal amount of DKK 10 each (a total nominal amount of DKK 2,017,240,010) at a price of DKK 177.27 per share of DKK 10 each in the Company, corresponding to a total of 20.00% of total issued share capital and 20.00% of total voting rights, of which 30,009,205 shares of a nominal amount of DKK 10 each (a total nominal amount of DKK 300,092,050) are acquired from A.P. Møller Holding A/S and 171,714,796 shares are acquired from A.P. Møller - Mærsk A/S. APMH Invest A/S held no shares in the Company prior to the acquisition.
* A.P. Møller Holding A/S holds the entire share capital in APMH Invest A/S. After the completion of the above-mentioned transactions, A.P. Møller Holding A/S and its sole owner the A.P. Møller Foundation will thus combined indirectly (including shares held by A.P. Møller - Mærsk A/S) hold 217,887,505 shares of a nominal amount of DKK 10 each (a total nominal amount of DKK 2,178,875,050) in the Company, corresponding to a total of 21.60% of total issued share capital and 21.60% of total voting rights in the Company.

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