



Media release

Resignation of AFG Board of Directors member Dr Arthur Loepfe

Arbonia, 21 March 2012 – Long-standing member of the Board of Directors at AFG Arbonia-Forster-Holding AG, Dr Arthur Loepfe, will not be standing for re-election at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting on 20 April 2012. After being on the company's Board of Directors for ten years, he has announced he is to stand down. While Paul Witschi, Christian Stambach, Dr Edgar Oehler and Andreas Gühring are available for a further term of office and Georg Früh's term extends to the ordinary Annual General Meeting in 2013, the Board of Directors has indicated that the seat held by Dr Arthur Loepfe will remain empty until further notice.

At the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, the Board of Directors will also be proposing reducing the term of office for members of the Board of Directors from the current three years to one year. Finally, it is proposing that the Board's existing mandate for an approved capital increase, which is due to expire at the upcoming Annual General Meeting, be extended by two years.

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The AFG is a leading building supply group offering cutting-edge technology, innovative solutions and services and a proven international track record. The company has its head office in Arbon, in the canton of Thurgau (Switzerland), and is quoted on the Swiss Stock Exchange (SIX). It has about 50 production and distribution companies and is active worldwide, with offices and partners in over 70 countries.

The five divisions making up AFG reflect the Group's activities: Heating Technology and Sanitary Equipment, Kitchens and Refrigeration Technology, Windows and Doors, Steel Technology and Surface Technology. Production facilities are located in Switzerland, Germany, England, France, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, the USA and China. In its domestic markets, Switzerland and Germany, AFG holds a leading market position. The Group is aiming at opening up new markets and expanding its international activities.