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DSM - Repurchase of shares (week 43)

Royal DSM N.V. has repurchased 636,366 of its own shares in the period from 18 October 2007 up to and including 24 October 2007 at an average price of EUR 38.82. This is in accordance with the first phase of the share buyback program, announced on 1 October 2007. The consideration of this repurchase was EUR 24.7 million.

The total number of shares repurchased under the first phase of this program to date is 2,146,366 shares for a total consideration of EUR 84.0 million.

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DSM creates innovative products and services in life sciences and materials sciences, contributing to the quality of life. DSM's products and services are used globally in a wide range of markets and applications, supporting a healthier, more sustainable and enjoyable way of living. End markets include human and animal nutrition and health, personal care, pharmaceuticals, automotive, coatings and paint, electrics & electronics, life protection and housing. The company strategy, *Vision 2010 – Building on Strengths*, focuses on accelerating profitable and innovative growth of the company's specialties portfolio. The key drivers of this strategy are market-driven growth and innovation, an increased presence in emerging economies and operational excellence. DSM has annual sales of almost EUR 9 billion and employs some 22,000 people worldwide. The company is headquartered in the Netherlands, with <u>locations</u> in Europe, Asia, the Americas, Africa and Australia. More information on DSM can be found at www.dsm.com.

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