

Media release

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AkzoNobel share buyback (March 11, 2019 – March 15, 2019)

AkzoNobel (AKZA; AKZOY) has repurchased 475,146 of its own ordinary shares in the period from March 4, 2019 up to and including March 8, 2019, at an average price of €80.06 per share. The consideration of the repurchase was €38 million.

This is part of a repurchase program announced on February 13, 2019. The total number of shares repurchased under this program to date is 2,176,263 ordinary shares for a total consideration of €173 million.

AkzoNobel intends to repurchase common shares up to a value of $\in 2.5$ billion as part of a total $\in 6.5$ billion being distributed to shareholders following the sale of the Specialty Chemicals business. The share buyback is due to be completed by the end of 2019.

In accordance with regulations, AkzoNobel will inform the market about the progress made in the execution of this program through weekly updates and at https://www.akzonobel.com/for-investors/shares/share-buyback-overview

About AkzoNobel

AkzoNobel has a passion for paint. We're experts in the proud craft of making paints and coatings, setting the standard in color and protection since 1792. Our world class portfolio of brands – including Dulux, International, Sikkens and Interpon – is trusted by customers around the globe. Headquartered in the Netherlands, we are active in over 150 countries and employ around 34,500 talented people who are passionate about delivering the high-performance products and services our customers expect.

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