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LAFARGE ANNOUNCES THE SALE OF ITS MINORITY STAKE IN EUROPEAN AND SOUTH AMERICAN GYPSUM OPERATIONS

Lafarge announces the sale of its 20% minority stake in European and South American gypsum operations to Etex for an immediate cash consideration of 145 million Euros. The transaction, which is subject to customary closing conditions, is expected to be completed in the coming weeks.

NOTES TO EDITORS

A world leader in building materials, Lafarge employs 65,000 people in 64 countries, and posted sales of €15.8 billion in 2012. As a top-ranking player in its Cement, Aggregates and Concrete businesses, it contributes to the construction of cities around the world, through its innovative solutions providing them with more housing and making them more compact, more durable, more beautiful, and better connected. With the world's leading building materials research facility, Lafarge places innovation at the heart of its priorities in order to contribute to more sustainable construction and to better serve architectural creativity. Since 2010, the Lafarge Group has been part of the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index, the first global sustainability benchmark in recognition of its sustainable development actions. More information is available on Lafarge's website: www.lafarge.com

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