

Vilmorin & Cie SA

Public limited company with Board of Directors, with a capital of 288 833 642,75 Euros

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Fiscal year from July 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>

NYSE Euronext Paris (Compartment A) - Eligible for Deferred Settlement Order

Indices: SBF 120, CAC Mid & Small, CAC All-Tradable, CAC All Share

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## **VILMORIN & CIE TAKES CONTROL OF SHAMROCK (VEGETABLE SEEDS. UNITED STATES)**

Vilmorin & Cie has recently taken over 100% of Shamrock, a company based in Salinas, California. Specialized in vegetable seeds, this company has a diversified product portfolio (in particular lettuce and greens, melon, watermelon and pepper), with a high quality research team: a significant part of its sales comes from products from its own research programs. Its direct distribution to producers model is also an important operational asset. Shamrock, which made sales of almost 20 million dollars in 2012, will join the Vilmorin Business Unit.

This targeted acquisition will enable Vilmorin & Cie to reinforce its lettuce positions, particularly on the industrial market, and to benefit from complementary melon and watermelon research programs.

### **COMING DISCLOSURES**

**Tuesday October 8, 2013\***: results for fiscal year 2012-2013

**Tuesday November 5, 2013\***: sales for the first quarter 2013-2014

**Friday November 22 and Saturday November 23, 2013**: Actionaria Fair in Paris

**Wednesday December 11, 2013**: Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in Paris

*\* at the end of trading on the Paris stock market*

Vilmorin & Cie develops vegetable and field seeds with high added value, to better meet global food requirements.

Accompanied by its reference shareholder, Limagrain, an international agricultural co-operative group, Vilmorin & Cie is currently the fourth largest seed company in the world.

True to its vision of sustainable development, Vilmorin & Cie relies on ongoing investments in research and international growth to strengthen its market shares on international markets that continue to expand. An ambition that is driven by its corporate culture which is based on the sharing of knowledge, quality of life and respect for the needs of mankind.

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