

# BIC GROUP - PRESS RELEASE CLICHY - 18 FEBRUARY 2014

# REMUNERATION OF CORPORATE OFFICERS

At a meeting chaired by Mr. Bruno Bich on Tuesday, February 11, 2014, the SOCIÉTÉ BIC Board of Directors was apprised of recommendations by the Compensation and Nomination Committee and made the following decisions:

### Remuneration for financial year 2013:

#### • Mr. Bruno Bich, Chairman:

Mr Bruno Bich received 187,800 euros as fixed remuneration and no variable remuneration.

#### Mr. Mario Guevara, Chief Executive Officer:

- Variable part of the remuneration for 2013: following an examination of the allocation criteria and with respect to a target of 937,500 US dollars (706,002 euros<sup>1</sup>), the variable part of the 2013 remuneration for the Chief Executive Officer was set at 891,375 US dollars (671,267 euros<sup>1</sup>), or 95% of the target. The allocation criteria are provided in the 2013 Registration Document (to be issued).
- Fixed part of the remuneration for 2013: the fixed part of the remuneration for the Chief Executive Officer had previously been set at 750,000 US dollars (564,802 euros¹) for 2013.

## • Mr. François Bich, Executive Vice-President:

- Variable part of the remuneration for 2013: following an examination of the allocation criteria and with respect to a target of 282,000 euros, the variable part of the 2013 remuneration for Mr François Bich was set at 305,406 euros, or 108% of the target. The allocation criteria are provided in the 2013 Registration Document (to be issued).
- o Fixed part of the remuneration 2013: the fixed part of the remuneration for Mr François Bich had previously been set at 470,000 euros for 2013.

#### Mrs. Marie-Aimée Bich-Dufour, Executive Vice-President :

- Variable part of the remuneration for 2013: following an examination of the allocation criteria and with respect to a target of 125,550 euros, the variable part of the 2013 remuneration for Mrs Marie-Aimée Bich-Dufour was set at 130,349 euros, or 105% of the target. The allocation criteria are provided in the 2013 Registration Document (to be issued).
- Fixed part of the remuneration for 2013: the fixed part of the remuneration for Mrs Marie-Aimée Bich-Dufour had previously been set at 279,000 euros for 2013.

#### Remuneration for financial year 2014:

The Board has set the fixed parts of the remunerations:

- 192,000 euros (+2.3% vs. 2013) for Mr Bruno Bich, Chairman;
- 786,000 US dollars (591,912 euros<sup>1</sup>) (+2.8% + 2% adjustment = +4.8 % vs. 2013) for Mr Mario Guevara, Chief Executive Officer;
- 480,000 euros (+2% vs. 2013) for Mr François Bich, Executive Vice-President;
- 289,000 euros (+2% + 1.6% adjustment = +3.6% vs 2013) for Mrs Marie-Aimée Bich-Dufour, Executive Vice-President.

The Board also sets the 2014 target for the variable part of their remuneration:

- 125% of the fixed part of the remuneration for Mr Mario Guevara, Chief Executive Officer;
- 60% of the fixed part of the remuneration for Mr François Bich, Executive Vice-President;
- 45% of the fixed part of the remuneration for Mrs Marie-Aimée Bich-Dufour, Executive Vice-President

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Amounts in US dollars were translated into euros using the average exchange rate for 2013 (1  $\epsilon$  = 1.3279 USD).

#### Free, Performance-Based Share Allocations:

Each of the following beneficiaries has been granted performance-based BIC shares:

- 22,500 shares to Mr Mario Guevara, Chief Executive Officer;
- 6,000 shares to Mr François Bich, Executive Vice-President.
- 3,250 shares to Mrs Marie-Aimée Bich-Dufour, Executive Vice-President.

The vesting period for these free shares is fixed at three years and one month. The shares will become fully vested on March 11, 2017, provided that the following two objectives are achieved: Net Sales increase and Cash Flow From Operations and Change in Inventory (CFO &I), as a percentage of net sales.

If the shares vest on March 11, 2017, they will be subject to a holding period of three years during which they will be non-transferable, i.e. until March 11, 2020.

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#### **Contacts**

For more information, please consult the corporate web site: www.bicworld.com

## **2014 Agenda** (all dates to be confirmed)

1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2014 results	24 April 2014	Conference call
2013 AGM	14 May 2014	Meeting – BIC Headquarters
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter and 1 <sup>st</sup> Half 2014 results	31 July 2014	Conference call
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2014 results	22 October 2014	Conference call

# **About BIC**

BIC is a world leader in stationery, lighters, shavers and promotional products. For more than 60 years, BIC has honored the tradition of providing high-quality, affordable products to consumers everywhere. Through this unwavering dedication, BIC has become one of the most recognized brands in the world. BIC products are sold in more than 160 countries around the world. In 2013, BIC recorded net sales of 1,887.8 million euros. The Company is listed on "Euronext Paris" and is part of the SBF120 and CAC Mid 60 indexes. BIC is also part of the following SRI indexes: CDP Climate Performance Leadership Index (CPLI), Carbon Disclosure Leadership Index (CDLI), CDP Supplier Climate Performance Leadership Index (SCPLI), FTSE4Good Europe, Euronext Vigeo Europe 120, Ethibel Excellence, STOXX Global ESG Leaders and Gaia Index.













