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PUBLIC TENDER OFFER ON THE SHARES OF QIAGEN MARSEILLE SA

OFFER PRICE: 14.90 euros per QIAGEN Marseille SA share Opening date of the Offer: 17 April 2015 Closing date of the Offer: 15 May 2015



This press release is prepared and diffused by QIAGEN Marseille SA (« QIAGEN Marseille ») pursuant to articles 231-27 3° and article 231-28 of the General Regulations of the French Financial Markets Authority (*Autorité des marchés financiers*) (« AMF »).

IMPORTANT NOTICE

In the event that, at the closing of the present tender offer, the number of shares not tendered to the Offer by minority shareholders represents less than 5% of QIAGEN Marseille's capital and voting rights, QIAGEN NV ("**QIAGEN**") intends to implement, within three months after the closing of the Offer, in accordance with Articles L. 433-4 III of the French Monetary and Financial Code and 237-14 of the AMF General Regulations, a mandatory squeeze-out procedure in order to transfer to itself those QIAGEN Marseille shares which were not tendered to the Offer for a price equal to the Offer, net of all fees, i.e. 14.90 euros per QIAGEN Marseille share.

The potential squeeze-out will not apply to the shares subscribed for in 2010 for which subscribers are subject to a lock-up obligation under preferential tax regimes known as "TEPA" or "Madelin", and for which liquidity commitments would have been concluded prior to the closing of the tender offer with QIAGEN.

Marseille, France, 16 April 2015 – QIAGEN Marseille (Alternext - FR0010626028 - ALIPS) announce that they have obtained the visa of the AMF on the simplified tender offer launched by QIAGEN on the shares of QIAGEN Marseille at a price of 14.90 euros per share (the "Offer"). The Offer may, where applicable, potentially be followed by a mandatory squeeze-out.

The information memorandum in response of QIAGEN Marseille received visa n° 15-152 of the AMF, dated 14 April 2015.

The Offer will open from 17 April 2015, for a period of 20 trading days which will close on 15 May 2015. Shareholders of QIAGEN Marseille who wish to tender their shares to the Offer must submit a sale order to the provider of investment services who is the authorized custodian of their shares no later than the last day of the Offer.

The other information document providing a description of the characteristics, notably including legal, financial and accounting aspects of QIAGEN Marseille was filed with the AMF on 14 April 2015, and made available to the public on 15 April 2015 pursuant to article 231-28 of the AMF General Regulations.

The information memorandum in response of QIAGEN Marseille approved by the AMF, as well as the other information document providing a description of the characteristics, notably including legal, financial and accounting aspects of QIAGEN Marseille, are available on the Internet website of QIAGEN Marseille (<u>http://www.qiagenmarseille.com/fr/home/</u>) and on the website of the AMF (<u>www.amf-france.org</u>), and may be obtained free of charge from Kepler Capital Markets, 112 avenue Kleber, 75116 Paris.