Mr. José Domingo de Ampuero y Osma is named chairman of Viscofan S.A.

Mr. JAIME ECHEVARRÍA ABONA RESIGNS AS VISCOFAN'S CHAIRMAN FROM DECEMBER 31ST, 2009.

Pamplona, December 17th, 2009.- After a successful career as a chairman of the Company, Mr. Jaime Echevarría Abona announced his resignation as member of the Board of Directors of Viscofan S.A., and, as a consequence, to his positions as chairman of the Board of Directors, chairman of the Executive Committee, and Chairman of the Appointments and Compensation Committee from December 31st, 2009, in order to dedicate himself to other personal activities.

All board members expressed their deep gratefulness for his complete dedication and his exceptional contribution to the success of the Viscofan Group. From Viscofan's foundation in 1975, Mr. Echevarría has taken to the Group to lead the artificial casing market worldwide, and has consolidated its wide international footprint, with manufacturing plants in Spain, Germany, Czech Republic, Serbia, United States, Mexico and Brazil, and in the short-term China, Viscofan also distributes its products in more than 120 countries worldwide.

Mr. José Domingo de Ampuero y Osma, director of Viscofan S.A., has named chairman of the Board of Directors, chairman of the Executive Committe, and chairman of the Appointments and Compensation Committee, to replace Mr. Echevarría responsibilities. At the same time, Mr. Nestor Basterra Larroudé was named as Vice-chairman.

Other changes in the Board of Directors from December 31st, 2009:

Mr. Iñigo Solaun Garteiz-Goxeascoa announced as well his resignation as Board member to dedicate himself to other personal activities. All Board members thanked him for his valuable contribution as Director of Viscofan.

Mr. Ignacio Marco Gardoqui Ibáñez, shareholder of Viscofan, is named Director to replace the vacant after Mr. Echevarría resignation.

Mrs. Ágatha Echevarría Canales is named member of the Appointments and Compensation Committee.

Additional information:

Mr. Jaime Echevarría Abona, was born in Bilbao, (Vizcaya), he is a lawyer, graduated in Economics from the University of Madrid and Business Management from the University of Deusto.

After a extense entrepreneur activity, Mr. Echevarria is one of the founders of Viscofan Group, he is also the Chairman of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee until December 31st, 2009. Mr. Echevarría also chairs other Viscofan's subsidiaries; INDUSTRIAS ALIMENTARIAS DE NAVARRA, S.A., VISCOFAN DE BRASIL (Sao Paulo), VISCOFAN USA (Montgomery, Alabama and Danville, Illinois), VISCOFAN DE MEXICO and TEEPAKS (S. Luis de Potosí and Zacapu, Mexico) NATURIN (Wheiheim, Alemania), GAMEX (Budejovice, República Checa) KOTEKS (Novi-Sad, Serbia).

He is also chairman of IBERPAPEL GESTION, S.A. and its subsidiaries.

Among multiples recognitions it's worthy to highlights his Work Golden Merit Award.

Mr. José Domingo de Ampuero y Osma, Industrial Engineer from Escuela Superior de Ingenieros de Bilbao, and MBA from University of Southern California. Los Ángeles. U.S.A.

Mr. De Ampuero has a wide professional career in different business, where he has held numerous responsibility positions, as Vicechairman of Naviera Vizcaina, Chairman of S.A. de Alimentación, Vicechairman of Bancomer (Mexico), Chairman of Bodegas y Bebidas, Vice-chairman of BBVA S.A., Vice-chairman of Iberdrola, Chairman of Cementos Lemona S.A., currently he is Chairman of Autopista Vasco-Aragonesa S.A.

Among other activities, he is as well Chairman of Círculo de Empresarios Vascos, Chairman of the Board of la Santa y Real Casa de Misericordia de Bilbao, and member of the Board of Asociación para el Progreso de la Dirección.

Mr. Ignacio Marco Gardoqui Ibáñez, Economics degree from Deusto University.

Mr. Marco Gardoqui has a long professional career, he has worked for financial entities, and his activities have covered teaching, consulting, and the press world ,where he has a strong reputation for his actively contribution as economic expert and columnist, he belongs to the Publishing Committee of Vocento Group.

He also has developed a wide experience in several industrial companies, belonging to multiples Board of Directors; currently he is Director of Técnicas Reunidas, Minerales y Productos Derivados, and TUBACEX. Previously, he has belonged, among others, to IBV Board of Directors, and Banco de Crédito Local.

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