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Proposed New Composition Numico's Supervisory Board

Schiphol and Paris, 18 October 2007 – Royal Numico N.V. and Groupe Danone S.A. ("Danone") jointly announce the proposed new composition of Numico's Supervisory Board in the event that Danone declares its public offer for all the ordinary shares in the share capital of Numico unconditional.

It is intended that Bernard Hours, Jacques Vincent and Emmanuel Faber will be nominated as new members of Numico's Supervisory Board and will be appointed during the extraordinary general meeting of shareholders of Numico which is intended to be held after Danone has declared the offer unconditional. Bernard Hours will become chairman of the Supervisory Board.

Steven Schuit, who is currently a member of the Supervisory Board of Numico, will remain in the Supervisory Board. The other members of the current Supervisory Board will resign in the event that Danone declares its offer for Numico shares unconditional. Upon their intended resignations the departing members of the current Supervisory Board will not receive any compensation, other than the regular compensation for the remainder of the year 2007.

Bernard Hours is currently Executive Vice President, Fresh Dairy Products of Danone and will be Co-Chief Operating Officer as of 1 January 2008.

Jacques Vincent is currently Vice Chairman and Chief Operating Officer of Danone and as of 1 January 2008 adviser to Franck Riboud and Chairman of the Strategic Committee.

Emmanuel Faber is currently Executive Vice President, Asia Pacific of Danone and as of 1 January 2008 Co-Chief Operating Officer.

Steven Schuit is a member of several Supervisory Boards. He is a professor of International Commercial and Financial Law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Utrecht.

The acceptance period under the offer expires at 15:00 hours CET on 31 October 2007, unless extended. For more information on the offer made by Danone, reference is made expressly to the offer memorandum dated 20 August 2007 which can be obtained through the websites of Numico (www.numico.com) and Danone (www.danone.com).

Copies of the offer memorandum are available free of charge at the offices of Numico and the Exchange Agent and can be obtained by contacting Numico or the Exchange Agent at the addresses below.

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