

Press release

Regulated information

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Disclosure in accordance with the Act of 2 May 2007

Transparency Law

Pursuant to Articles 15 §1 and 18 §1 of the Act of 2 May 2007 on the disclosure of significant participations in listed companies, Bekaert publishes the following information:

Status as of 31 July 2013

Basic data

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| Total capital: | € 176 640 000.00 |
| Total number of securities conferring voting rights: | 60 019 107 shares |
| Total number of voting rights (the denominator): | 60 019 107 (one voting right per share) |

Supplementary data

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| Total number of debentures convertible into securities conferring voting rights: | none |
| Total number of rights, whether or not reflected by securities, to subscribe for securities conferring voting rights yet to be issued: | 601 019 subscription rights (each subscription right entitles the holder to one new share upon exercise) |
| Total number of voting rights that may result from the exercise of such subscription rights: | 601 019 (one voting right per new share) |
| Total number of shares without voting rights: | none |

Reason for the changes

Capital increase on 3 July 2013 as a result of the exercise of 18 165 subscription rights.

Thresholds set by the Articles of Association

According to 14bis of the Articles of Association the provisions of Articles 6 through 17 of the Act apply not only to the legal thresholds of 5 % and of each multiple of 5%, but also to the thresholds of 3% and 7.50%.

Notifications

The notifications should be transmitted to both NV Bekaert SA and the FSMA. The FSMA recommends transmitting the notifications first electronically, to the e-mail address trp.fin@fsma.be, and subsequently – for reasons of legal certainty – by fax to no + 32 2 220 59 12.

It is recommended to transmit notifications to NV Bekaert SA electronically as well, to the attention of pierre.schaubroeck@bekaert.com

Profile

Bekaert (www.bekaert.com) is a world market and technology leader in steel wire transformation and coatings. Bekaert (Euronext Brussels: BEKB) is a global company with headquarters in Belgium, employing 27 000 people worldwide. Serving customers in 120 countries, Bekaert pursues sustainable profitable growth in all its activities and generated combined sales of € 4.4 billion in 2012.