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Intermolecular stockholders approve acquisition by Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany

July 18, 2019 – Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany, a leading science and technology company, today announced that its proposed transaction with Intermolecular, Inc. (NASDAQ: IMI) was approved by the stockholders of Intermolecular at a special meeting held on July 17, 2019. On May 6, 2019, Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany, had signed a definitive agreement to acquire Intermolecular through a subsidiary for \$1.20 per share in an all cash transaction, representing an equity value of approximately \$62 million.

“We are very pleased with this positive development of Intermolecular’s stockholders approving our acquisition proposal. Uniting our existing strength in the materials business with Intermolecular’s unique processes and R&D capabilities will allow us to create game changing innovations in the electronics material space. Together, we expect to provide our customers with an enhanced combination of material and process know-how strengthening our service provider capabilities,” said Kai Beckmann, member of the Executive Board of Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany, and CEO of Performance Materials.

The transaction is expected to close in the second half of 2019, subject to regulatory clearances and the satisfaction of other customary closing conditions. Intermolecular is a California-based company leading in advanced materials innovation. Intermolecular possesses application specific materials expertise, accelerated learning and experimentation platforms with powerful analytics

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infrastructure that perfectly complement the business and technology portfolio of Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany's Performance Materials business. Intermolecular's fabrication and testing capabilities allow for material combinations to be tested directly within the specific target application for semiconductors, consumer electronics, aerospace and many other industries. In comparison to conventional methods these capabilities translate to major time reductions in the development process, dramatically accelerated learning cycles and insights into novel material systems to provide customers with a unique service value.

Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany, will acquire Intermolecular through its subsidiary EMD Group Holding II, Inc.

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About Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany

Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany, a leading science and technology company, operates across healthcare, life science and performance materials. Around 52,000 employees work to make a positive difference to millions of people's lives every day by creating more joyful and sustainable ways to live. From advancing gene editing technologies and discovering unique ways to treat the most challenging diseases to enabling the intelligence of devices – the company is everywhere. In 2018, Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany, generated sales of € 14.8 billion in 66 countries.

The company holds the global rights to the name and trademark "Merck" internationally. The only exceptions are the United States and Canada, where the business sectors of Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany operate as EMD Serono in healthcare, MilliporeSigma in life science, and EMD Performance Materials. Since its founding 1668, scientific exploration and responsible entrepreneurship have been key to the company's technological and scientific advances. To this day, the founding family remains the majority owner of the publicly listed company.

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factors discussed in Merck KGaA's, Darmstadt, Germany, public reports which are available on the Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany, website at www.emdgroup.com. Except as otherwise required by law, Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany, and EMD Group Holding II assume no liability whatsoever to update these forward-looking statements or to conform them to future events or developments. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements that speak only as of the date hereof.