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Medienmitteilung der SCHMOLZ+BICKENBACH AG vom 23. August 2013

Aufhebung der Eintragungssperre gegen die Generalversammlungsbeschlüsse der SCHMOLZ+BICKENBACH AG

Abweisung des Antrags der Gründerfamilien von Schmolz+Bickenbach

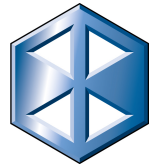
Im Anschluss an die ordentliche Generalversammlung der SCHMOLZ+BICKENBACH AG vom 28. Juni 2013 hatte die Schmolz+Bickenbach Holding AG als Vertreterin der Gründerfamilien eine Handelsregistersperre erwirkt und dann mit einem vorsorglichen Gesuch beim Bezirksgericht Luzern beantragt, das Handelsregisteramt des Kantons Luzern anzuweisen, die Beschlüsse der Generalversammlung nicht ins Register einzutragen. Damit wurde ein Vollzug dieser Beschlüsse, namentlich die Durchführung der beschlossenen Kapitalerhöhung um CHF 330 Mio. sowie die Ein- und Austragung von Verwaltungsratsmitgliedern bisher verhindert.

Das Bezirksgericht Luzern hat nun der Gesellschaft Recht gegeben und dieses Gesuch vollumfänglich abgewiesen. Damit wird der Weg zum Vollzug der entsprechenden Generalversammlungsbeschlüsse vom 28. Juni 2013 grundsätzlich frei.

Wie bereits früher mitgeteilt prüft der Verwaltungsrat der SCHMOLZ+BICKENBACH AG jedoch zurzeit im Rahmen der laufenden Verhandlungen zwischen der Gesellschaft, den finanzierenden Banken und Renova über die Finanzierung bzw. Rekapitalisierung der Gesellschaft auch das weitere Vorgehen in Sachen Kapitalerhöhung. Dies könnte eine Erhöhung der beschlossenen Kapitalerhöhung um CHF 330 Mio. beinhalten, was allerdings einen entsprechenden Beschluss durch die spätestens auf den 26. September 2013 geplante ausserordentliche Generalversammlung erfordern würde. Den entsprechenden Entscheid wird der Verwaltungsrat spätestens am 29. August 2013 fällen und anschliessend bekannt geben.

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