



DuluxGroup Limited
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ASX Announcement

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DULUXGROUP SUCCESSFUL IN ACQUIRING OVER 90% OF ALESCO COMPULSORY ACQUISITION PROCESS TO COMMENCE

DuluxGroup Limited (**DuluxGroup**) announces that its relevant interest in Alesco Corporation Limited (**Alesco**) as at 7pm on 17 December 2012 is 90.1%.

As a result, DuluxGroup intends to commence the compulsory acquisition process. Compulsory acquisition notices will be dispatched to all Alesco shareholders who have not accepted DuluxGroup's offer.

DuluxGroup's offer closes at 7.00pm (Melbourne time) on 19 December 2012 (unless extended).

Shareholders should accept DuluxGroup's offer before the offer closes in order to be paid \$1.63¹ per share by DuluxGroup within 5 business days of acceptance. Shareholders who do not accept DuluxGroup's offer will have their shares compulsorily acquired and will likely not be paid until late January 2013.

It is expected that ASX will suspend quotation of Alesco shares after compulsory acquisition commences.

If shareholders have any questions in relation to the offer, or require a new acceptance form, they should contact the DuluxGroup Offer Information Line on 1300 652 672 (within Australia) or +61 3 9415 4109 (international) between 9.00am and 5.00pm (Melbourne time) on business days.

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¹ The \$2.05 per share offer from DuluxGroup comprises \$1.63 cash per share payable by DuluxGroup, the \$0.27 per share fully franked dividend to be paid by Alesco on 19 December 2012 to shareholders who were on the Alesco shareholder register on the dividend record date of 7 December 2012, and the \$0.15 per share of fully franked dividends paid by Alesco on 7 September 2012 to shareholders who were on the Alesco shareholder register on the dividend record date of 17 August 2012.