

## **AVR/Van Gansewinkel waste management merger finalised**

### ***Shares of the Van Gansewinkel Group transferred to AVR***

**Rotterdam/Eindhoven, 17 April, 2007: The merger between two of Holland's top waste management companies will be completed officially with the transfer of Van Gansewinkel's shares to AVR today. The Van Gansewinkel name remains as the brand covering the company's waste collection services whilst the AVR brand stays to include all of the organisation's treatment activities.**

Members of the board of directors will include Ruud Sondag (CEO), Gosse Boon (CFO), Diederik Gijsbers (COO), Yves Luca (COO) and Frans van de Noort (COO). The shareholders in the new enterprise are CVC Capital Partners (CVC), Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. (KKR), Oranje Nassau Groep (ONG), Intermediate Capital Group (ICG) and the company's management.

No redundancies are expected as a result of the merger as it is intended that growth will absorb existing personnel across both organisations. Both head offices in Rotterdam and in Eindhoven will remain in place although the Board recognises that bundling of activities in the near future may provide economic gains.

The AVR - Van Gansewinkel merger creates a fully integrated waste services company, delivering reliable environmental solutions and producing secondary raw materials and fuels. A specialist in analysis and consultancy, collection, recycling and treatment of all kinds of waste materials, the combination will have more than 6.000 employees, offering solutions to the waste issues that challenge both commercial and public authorities. AVR - Van Gansewinkel is committed to maintaining and growing their existing relationships with all of their customers by delivering sustainable, cost-effective and environmentally sound waste management programmes.

Combined, AVR - Van Gansewinkel operates in nine countries (the Benelux, Poland, the Czech Republic, France, England, Ireland and Portugal).

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