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AVRIL IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE SUCCESS OF ITS FIRST SCHULDSCHEIN DEBT OFFERING FOR AN AMOUNT OF €90 MILLION

Avril Group, the 5th largest French food industry group and industrial and financial operator in the vegetable oil and protein sector, announces having successfully completed its inaugural Schuldschein debt issuance (German private placement) for an amount of €90 million.

In keeping with its development objectives, the Group thus acquires additional resources to drive its growth. The company continues to diversify its sources of financing, after successfully raising €1.180 billion from its banking partners this summer.

This new financing, having a maturity of 5 to 7 years, is also indexed to achieving extra-financial objectives by integrating three ESG criteria.

This transaction was structured by Natixis and Société Générale, including ING and La Banque Postale as CSR advisors, together with consulting services provided by Lazard Bank and UGGC.

Aymeric Mongeaud, Chief Financial and Administrative Officer of Avril, commented, *"I am delighted with the success of this initial offering, which reflects the Group's ambition of combining financial and non-financial performance criteria. It is a testimony to the strength of our model and the confidence investors place in our Group."*

About Avril

Founded in 1983 as an initiative of the agricultural world to ensure sustainable outlets for French production, Avril is the main industrial and financial player in the vegetable oil and protein sector. The Group is built upon two complementary businesses that are key to the strength of its model. On the one hand, an industrial business organized around plant processing, from the seed to the processed product. And on the other hand, an investment business, carried out by its subsidiary, Sofiprotéol, through the acquisition of minority holdings in support of companies in the French agricultural and agri-food sectors.

Present in sectors as diversified as consumer food, animal nutrition expertise, renewable energies, and green chemistry, Avril relies on a portfolio of well-known brands that are leaders in their fields both in France and abroad: Bunica (Romania), Costa d'Oro (Italy), Lesieur, Oleo100, Olean, Puget, Sanders, and Taous (Morocco).

For nearly 40 years, the Group has remained true to its original mission: feeding people and animals, and preserving the planet. In view of the current challenges posed by the climate emergency and the demographic growth that is putting a strain on resources, Avril has chosen to reaffirm its power to act, expressed through its purpose: Serving the Earth. Serving the Earth and the six commitments that support this purpose are a genuine driving force for the men and women of Avril on a daily basis. They reflect the Group's new ambition to become the leader in plant-based solutions for the agricultural, food, and environmental transitions.

In 2021, Avril generated revenue of €6.9 billion. Present in 19 countries, it employs nearly 7,348 people working in 73 industrial sites around the world. For more information: groupeavril.com | Twitter @Avril_Group | LinkedIn Avril

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