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EMMANUEL MANICHON BECOMES A MEMBER OF AVRIL'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Avril announces the appointment of Emmanuel Manichon as General Director of Avril Consumer Goods and Avril Oilseed Processing & Renewable Energies. As such, he will supervise the development of the business units in these two divisions within the Group's industrial activities. Reporting directly to Jean-Philippe Puig, CEO. Emmanuel will be a member of the Executive Committee.

Drawing on his experience leading large international groups, Emmanuel Manichon's mission will be to further develop Avril's activities in two of its strategic priorities, namely consumer goods and renewable energies, while at the same time enhancing the performance of the food processing industry, in close collaboration with upstream agricultural activities.

In close collaboration with the General Managers of each of the business units, he will assist in developing their respective local markets as well as internationally, in line with the Group's ambition of becoming the leader in plant processing serving the agricultural, food, and environmental transitions. He will also ensure that the commitments related to Avril's purpose: Serving the Earth, are put into action.

This appointment is effective as of November 2, 2022.

Aged 55, Emmanuel (AgroParisTech) previously held marketing, sales, export, industrial, and general management positions in leading industrial groups including Nestlé, Eckes-Granini, and Lactalis.

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. It 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, Oleon, 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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