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Amendment to Eurex Circular 109/04 – Further Information on the Takeover Offer from Sanofi-Synthélabo to Aventis Shareholders

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In connection with the adjustment procedure of Aventis options some misunderstandings came up among Exchange participants which we would like to clarify as follows:

The adjustment of the Aventis options (AVE/AVE5) at Eurex will be made on August 19, 2004 after close of trading and become effective on **August 20, 2004** (see circulars 077/04, 079/04, 095/04, 104/04).

Effective August 20, 2004 as well, the underlying of the Aventis options (AVE/AVE5) will be replaced by the new Sanofi-Synthélabo shares with ISIN FR0010086983 (see circular 104/04).

Besides, the company name for ISIN FR0000120578 (Sanofi-Synthélabo old) and ISIN FR0010086983 (Sanofi-Synthélabo new) will be changed into **SANOFI-AVENTIS** as of August 20, 2004. This name change will also apply to the existing Eurex options on Sanofi-Synthélabo (SNW/SNW5) and on Aventis (AVE/AVE5).

Please note that, contrary to the information contained in Eurex circular 104/04, the product ISIN for AVE as well will be subject to change. Effective **August 23, 2004**, it will be converted into the ISIN of the new Sanofi-Synthélabo shares (FR0010086983). However, the product ISIN for AVE5 (DE0002276706) and the product codes for AVE/AVE5 will remain unchanged as published in Eurex Circular 104/04.

Presumably on September 30, 2004 the underlying of SANOFI-AVENTIS options (AVE/AVE5) will be converted into the existing SANOFI-AVENTIS share with ISIN FR0000120578.