

Statement in response to current media reports

Nieder-Olm, July 27, 2020: As recently reported in the press, Marielle Eckes, a member of the extended Eckes family, is currently the subject of a police investigation.

It is true that Marielle Eckes is a descendent of company founder Peter Eckes (1804 – 1873). She was a shareholder of Eckes AG until late 2007. We wish to point out, however, that Ms. Marielle Eckes has held no direct or indirect interest in the Eckes-Granini Group for over ten years. Her husband, Emilio Lozoya Austin, has never held interest in our corporate group. Nor have Marielle Eckes and Herr Lozoya Austin ever worked for Eckes-Granini in any capacity. Given the absence of any relationship between the Eckes-Granini Group and either Marielle Eckes or her husband, we are in possession of no information whatsoever regarding the individuals or the allegations in question.

The Eckes-Granini Group:

Eckes-Granini is the leading supplier of fruit juices and fruit beverages in Europe. The independent family-owned enterprise based in Nieder-Olm (Rhineland-Palatinate) is focused above all on its competent and committed employees, its strong juice, fruit-beverage and smoothie brands and its long-term strategic orientation based on sustainable added value. With 1,725 employees, Eckes-Granini currently operates through its own national subsidiaries as well as strategic partners, primarily in Europe, and generates total annual revenues of EUR 985 million. The Group's foundation consists of the renowned international premium brands granini and Pago as well as strong national and regional juice and fruit-beverage brands. Consumers in 80 countries world-wide, and especially in Europe, have come to know and appreciate our fruit juices and our wide range of fruit beverages.

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