

DANAHER ACKNOWLEDGES PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS WITH VISION SYSTEMS LIMITED

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Danaher Corporation confirmed today that it has engaged in preliminary discussions with Vision Systems Limited (VSL) regarding a potential competing bid by Danaher for VSL. VSL is a publicly-traded company headquartered in Australia that designs, manufactures and sells instruments and reagents for the anatomical pathology market. VSL is allowing Danaher to conduct limited due diligence, but there can be no assurance that Danaher will make a competing bid for VSL.

Danaher Corporation is a leading manufacturer of Professional Instrumentation, Industrial Technologies, and Tools and Components. (<http://www.danaher.com/>).

Statements in this release that are not strictly historical may be "forward-looking" statements. These forward-looking statements include statements about any potential bid for or acquisition of VSL. There are a number of important risks and uncertainties that could cause actual events to differ materially from those suggested or indicated by such forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include, among other things, the results of Danaher's due diligence investigation, the competitive nature of acquisitions, regulatory approvals and potential changes in the environment for making acquisitions and divestitures, including changes in the market value of acquisition candidates as well as other risks and uncertainties set forth in Danaher's filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this release and Danaher disclaims any duty to update any forward-looking statement.

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