



**Amendment of 25 July 2005 to the
Public Tender Offer of 27 June 2005 as amended on 21 July 2005 of**

Hexagon AB (publ.), Stockholm, Sweden

**for all publicly held registered shares
with a par-value of CHF 50 each of**

Leica Geosystems Holdings AG, Balgach, Switzerland

Extension of the Offer Period until 9 August 2005

Registered Shares of	Security number: 1087048 / ISIN: CH0010870480
Leica Geosystems Holdings AG:	Ticker-Symbol: LGSN
Executing Bank:	Bank Julius Baer & Co. Ltd.

1. Introduction

On 27 June 2005, Hexagon AB (publ), Stockholm, Sweden, ("**Hexagon**") published a public tender offer ("**Offer**") for all publicly held registered shares of Leica Geosystems Holdings AG, Balgach, Schweiz, ("**Leica**") with a par-value of CHF 50 each ("**Leica-Shares**"). On 21 July 2005, Hexagon published an amendment to the Offer. In its recommendation of 20 July 2005, the Takeover Board requested that the Offer Period be amended by two trading days until 9 August 2005 because Leica is not in a position to publish its quarterly report by 29 July 2005.

2. Extension of the Offer Period until 9 August 2005

Hexagon herewith extends the Offer Period until 9 August 2005, 4.00 p.m. (CET) ("**Offer Period**"). Hexagon reserves the right to extend the Offer Period one or several times. An extension beyond 40 trading days requires the prior consent of the Swiss Takeover Board.

If the Offer is successful, the Offer Period will be extended by an additional acceptance period of 10 trading days for the subsequent acceptance of the Offer ("**Additional Acceptance Period**"). The Additional Acceptance Period is expected to be open from 15 August 2005 to 26 August 2005, 4.00 p.m. (CET).

3. Amendment to the Report of the Auditors

As Auditors recognized by the Federal Act on Stock Exchanges and Securities Trading (hereinafter the "Stock Exchange Act") to review public tender offers, we have reviewed

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this amendment to the Offer. By amending our reports of 24 June 2005, which was published as part of the offer prospectus on 27 June 2005, and of 20 July 2005, which was published as part of the amendment of 21 July 2005, we confirm as follows:

Based on our procedures performed:

- the amendment to the Offer complies with the Stock Exchange Act and the Ordinances;
- the amendment to the Offer is complete and accurate;
- the recipients of the Offer are treated equally;
- the financing of the Offer is assured and the necessary funds are available at closing; and
- the effects of the pre-announcement of the public tender offer are complied with.

Zurich, 22. Juli 2005

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4. Publication

This amendment is published in “Neue Zürcher Zeitung” and in “Le Temps”. It is provided to Reuters and Bloomberg.

5. Amended Tentative Schedule

End of the Offer Period	9 August 2005*
Publication of the preliminary interim result:	10 August 2005*
Publication of the interim result:	15 August 2005*
Start of the additional acceptance period:	15 August 2005*
End of the additional acceptance period:	26 August 2005*
Publication of the preliminary final results:	29 August 2005*
Publication of the final results:	2 September 2005*
Settlement of the Offer and Payment of Offer Price:	8 September 2005*

*Hexagon reserves the right to extend the Offer Period one or several times, according to Section 2.4 or 2.6 of the offer prospectus of 27 June 2005 and to postpone the closing of the offer (settlement) in accordance with Section 2.6 of the offer prospectus of 27 June 2005. In such case, the schedule will be adjusted accordingly.

6. Reference to the Prospectus

Except for the above mentioned amendment to the Offer Price, the offering prospectus of 27 June 2005 and the amendment of 21 July 2005 remain valid. This concerns in particular the **sales restrictions** with regard to the **United States of America** and the United Kingdom. The amendments made herein form an integral part of the offer prospectus published on 27 June 2005.

7. Applicable Law and Place of Jurisdiction

All rights and obligations arising out of this amendment to the Offer are subject to **Swiss law**. All disputes arising out of or in connection with this amendment to the Offer shall be submitted to the exclusive jurisdiction of the **Commercial Court of the Canton of Zurich**, Switzerland.