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# **GÖRG advises VEOLIA on acquisition of Hofmann Group**

A GÖRG team led by Hamburg partners Dr. Frank Evers and Paul Caesar Rode has advised Veolia Umweltservice GmbH on the takeover of Hofmann Group.

With this acquisition, which encompasses about 30 operative sites with over 1,000 employees as well as a many German and foreign subsidiaries, Veolia will expand its geographic reach throughout the German waste management market. It is Veolia's biggest acquisition in the waste management market in Germany since the takeover of the SULO-Group in 2007, on which Dr. Frank Evers was also the leading legal counsel.

The transaction is subject to approval by the competent merger control authorities

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### About Veolia Umweltservice GmbH

With circa 10,500 employees at about 250 locations across Germany, Veolia Umweltservice GmbH is one of the leading forces in the German waste management market. It provides municipal waste collection services for more than 11 million people, provides over 370,000 with energy and ca. 1 million with drinking water and provides wastewater services for 800,000 people.

In 2021, the entire Veolia group with more than 220,000 employees in 60 countries supplied 79 million people with drinking water and 61 million people with wastewater service, produced nearly 48 million megawatt hours of energy and treated 48 million metric tons of waste.

The consolidated annual turnover of Veolia Environnement (Paris Euronext: VIE) amounted to 28.5 billion Euro in 2021.

### **About Hofmann Group**

Founded more than 80 years ago, the Hofmann Group is a medium-sized, owner-managed company which provides waste management services in the federal state of Bavaria. The group has around 30 locations with

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waste processing facilities for various material fractions and is active in all segments of waste management: takeback systems, municipal services, collection of hazardous waste as well as commercial and industrial waste. The family-owned business was – and will be until the closing of the transaction – managed in third generation by Mr Jürgen Hofmann and other members of the Hofmann family.

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