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Acquisition of the Diehl Group

Apleona further expands expertise in building technology and decarbonization

- **Acquisition of the Diehl Group with over 550 employees and seven locations in Rhineland Palatinate, Hesse and Thuringia.**
- **More resources and better area coverage for decarbonization and energy transition in the key trades of heating, air conditioning and ventilations as well as renewable energies such as photovoltaics, energy storage and heat pumps for Apleona Wolfferts**
- **Apleona CEO Dr. Jochen Keysberg and Apleona Wolfferts CEO Horst Kever expect synergies with FM business and an increase in decarbonization sales for the Group as a whole.**

Apleona Wolfferts, a leading provider of building technology in Germany, with its headquarters in Cologne, acquired the Diehl Group, which specializes in technical building systems and services, as of May 22, 2024. This will further strengthen the Building Technology division at Apleona, a leading European provider of integrated facility management, and significantly expand the local presence and the range of technical trades for decarbonizing the building stock and implementing the energy transition.

Following ERGE Deutsche Brandschutz in Berlin and Air for All near Stuttgart, the Diehl Group is Apleona's third major acquisition in the building technology sector in the last 18 months.

The Diehl Group, with its headquarters in Baumholder (Rhineland-Palatinate), is one of the largest suppliers of technical building equipment in Baden-Württemberg, Rhineland-Palatinate, Hesse and Thuringia. Its customers include industrial companies from a wide range of sectors, commercial enterprises and the public sector. The Group employs more than 550 employees, mainly engineers, construction and project managers and technicians who specialize in the building services trades of heating, air conditioning, ventilation, heat pumps and photovoltaics.

Apleona Wolfferts is represented throughout Germany with over 1,100 employees at 18 locations and is one of the market leaders in the building technology sector. Its clients include large industrial companies, property developers and project developers as well as public clients such as universities, hospitals, museums and trade fair companies. In addition, Apleona Wolfferts also serves customers in medium-

sized and small system construction, for example for the installation of heat pumps, and offers its customers a comprehensive service, even after commissioning.

Apleona CEO Dr. Jochen Keysberg expects the takeover and further expansion of building technology to result in strong growth and synergies with the FM business of the Apleona Group in the future: "ESG requirements, decarbonization and the energy transition require considerable investment in existing buildings. Apleona is very well positioned to meet these market requirements with its combination of traditional building and systems technology for energy optimization and decarbonization, classic technical FM and AI-based PropTech and GreenTech solutions for predictive and optimized building operation. Apleona will be able to steadily increase decarbonization sales in the Group over the next few years", he comments on the acquisition of the Diehl Group.

Horst Keuer, CEO Apleona Wolfferts, adds: "From design and system construction to strong service— with the acquisition of the Diehl Group, we are expanding our regional presence, strengthening our team and adding to our capacities in the field of sustainable building technology solutions. Diehl is a traditional and successful company with a strong brand and a high level of technical expertise, similar to Apleona Wolfferts. We share a focus on technical expertise, innovative spirit, customer orientation and fairness towards employees, customers and business partners. These shared values form the basis for a successful future together."

Markus Ohnemus, MD of the Diehl Group: "Apleona Wolfferts, with its strong and diverse technical orientation, is ideally suited for the further development and expansion of the Diehl Group. As a family-owned company with a long tradition, the Diehl Group is delighted to have found a new shareholder in Apleona Wolfferts, who will open up new opportunities and possibilities for the future and at the same time provide new impetus. We look forward to continuing to build on our excellent reputation with our customers. Our management team, which is unanimous in its support for this path and will continue to hold senior positions in the company, and our employees will continue to work on our projects with the same commitment and passion as in the past. I am convinced that this transaction will create synergies and an optimal platform for further growth. There is also a lot of potential in the cooperation with the FM units of Apleona and the Diehl Group, especially in the implementation of sustainable building technology solutions."

The transaction is subject to regulatory approvals.

Photo 1: Horst Kever, CEO Apleona Wolfferts@apleona

Photo 2: Sustainable building technology @apleona

About Apleona

Apleona is a leading European real-estate services provider and facility manager based in Neu-Isenburg near Frankfurt am Main. Over 40,000 employees in more than 30 countries manage and operate real estate from all asset classes, production facilities, and cross-regional and country portfolios. Its customers include market-leading companies from a wide range of industries, including technology, finance, healthcare, chemicals, automotive, utilities, and information and communications technology companies. The range of services it provides extends from integrated facility management, building services engineering and interior fit-outs to commercial services and real estate management. Apleona's business model focuses on hard services, most of which the company provides itself. The company's regional focus is on the area covered by Germany, Austria and Switzerland. With its partnership-based contracting models, innovative products, and digital solutions, Apleona helps its customers develop and implement ESG, workplace and portfolio optimization strategies.