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INTERNATIONAL BRAND LICENSING PLC ("IBL" or the "Company")

Proposed Acquisition of EKF-diagnostic GmbH Placing to raise £15.06m (gross) at 15p per share Change of name to EKF Diagnostics Holdings plc

International Brand Licensing Plc (AIM: IBL), which has recently re-focussed on building a business within the in vitro diagnostic devices market, announces:

- an agreement to acquire EKF-diagnostic GmbH ("EKF") for a total consideration of €14.32m to be satisfied by €11.32m in cash on completion and €3m deferred consideration in shares:
- a placing by Zeus Capital and Matrix Corporate Capital to raise approximately £15.06m (gross) by means of the issue of 100,435,653 new Ordinary Shares at 15 pence per share to fund the acquisition and to provide working capital; and
- a change of name of the Company to EKF Diagnostics Holdings plc (AIM trading symbol will be EKF.L).

Commenting, Julian Baines, CEO of IBL, said: "This acquisition is the first step in our strategy to build a diagnostics business and gives us a good platform for future growth both organically and by further acquisitions. We intend, in particular, to focus on devices and reagents relating to diabetes, one of the fastest growing diseases in the world."

The acquisition of EKF, which constitutes a reverse takeover under the AIM rules, will provide the Company with an established, profitable and cash generative business within the diagnostic devices industry. The Enlarged Group will be a manufacturer and distributor of point of care diagnostic devices and reagents and will immediately have sales and distribution channels into over 65 countries (including the key markets of the US, Europe and Russia).

The unaudited pro forma income statement, illustrating the effect on the Company of the acquisition as if it had been part of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2009, shows pro forma group revenue of £11.17 million and profit from operations of £2.67 million.

About EKF: www.ekf-diagnostic.de

EKF, based in Barleben, Germany, was founded in 1990 and focuses on the development, manufacture and selling of diagnostic instruments and reagents to clinical and research laboratories, doctors' offices and sports medicine testing sites worldwide. EKF focuses on diabetes and anaemia testing, two of the main segments of the point of care market.

At completion IBL will be the holding company of a group of diagnostics businesses with offices in Germany, Poland and Russia (where EKF will own 60 per cent. of the issued shares of the local entity).

A general meeting of IBL will be held at the offices of Memery Crystal LLP, 44 Southampton Buildings, London WC2A 1AP on 2 July 2010 at 11am and the Board (representing c. 13.38% of the Company's Existing Ordinary Shares) unanimously recommends that shareholders vote in favour of the Resolutions to be proposed.

IBL will host a conference call for analysts at 8am and a lunch briefing at 12.30pm today

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Below are extracts from the Admission Document which has been sent to shareholders today. The full Admission Document is available on the Company's website: www.iblplc.com

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Key Statistics

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Current number of Ordinary Shares in issue	41,991,653
Placing	
Number of Placing Shares	100,435,653
Placing Price	15p
Gross proceeds of the Placing	£15.06 million
Estimated net proceeds of the Placing	£13.52 million
Acquisition	
Cash Consideration	€11,320,000
Maximum number of Consideration Shares	16,732,482
Upon Admission	
Market capitalisation of the Enlarged Group at the Placing Price	£21.36 million
immediately following Admission	
Placing Shares as a percentage of the Enlarged Issued Share	70.52%
Capital	

Expected timetable

Admission document publication date	15 June 2010
Latest time and date for receipt of Proxy Forms for the General	11.00 a.m. on 30 June 2010
Meeting	
General Meeting	11.00 a.m. on 2 July 2010
First Admission and commencement of dealings in the First	8.00 a.m. on 5 July
Tranche Placing Shares*	
Second Admission and commencement of dealings in the	8.00 a.m. on 6 July
Second Tranche Placing Shares**	
Third Admission and commencement of dealings in the	8.00 a.m. on 7 July
Enlarged Issued	
Share Capital (including the Third Tranche Placing Shares***)	

- * The First Tranche Placing Shares represent 10,666,665 Placing Shares proposed to be subscribed by certain venture capital trusts (VCT) and EIS investors (those that have raised their funds since 6 April 2006).
- ** The Second Tranche Placing Shares represent 25,499,998 Placing Shares proposed to be subscribed by certain VCT (those that have raised their funds prior to 6 April 2006).
- *** The Third Tranche Placing Shares represents 64,268,990 Placing Shares

Introduction

On 26 November 2009, IBL announced a change of strategy in order to focus on building a business within the diagnostics market place through acquisition and organic growth. The Company also announced the appointment of a new management team with significant experience, contacts worldwide and a proven track record of acquisition, integration and growing businesses within the diagnostics industry. The new management team is headed by David Evans, as Non-Executive Chairman, and Julian Baines, as Chief Executive Officer.

The Enlarged Group

The Acquisition will provide the Company with an established, profitable and cash generative business within the diagnostic devices industry. The Enlarged Group will be a manufacturer and distributor of point of care diagnostic devices and reagents and will immediately have sales and distribution channels into over 65 countries (including the key markets of the US, Europe and Russia). The Acquisition is the first step in the strategy to build a business within the diagnostics market place through acquisition and organic growth with the objective of delivering value to shareholders.

In the Directors' opinion, there is an opportunity, by utilising the expertise of the management team within the diagnostics industry, to build a business that can take advantage of the ageing profile of the Western World's population and help in the diagnosis, treatment and care for these people. Diagnostic devices are used for the examination of specimen samples taken from the human body in order to diagnose disease and identify treatment options in patients. In recent years, advances in the cost, specificity, complexity and size of the instruments which are used has led routine diagnostic testing to move from centralised clinical testing laboratories to the point of care. This has significant benefits to the cost and quality of healthcare services and the Board believes that there will be significant future growth in the use and sale of diagnostic devices and associated reagents.

Whilst the Enlarged Group's suite of products will service a broad range of point of care diagnostics segments, including anaemia, heart disease and metabolic function, the Directors intend, in particular, to grow the Enlarged Group's existing focus on diabetes devices and reagents. Diabetes is one of the fastest growing diseases in the world, with the number of diabetes patients globally expected to increase from a base of 246 million in 2006, to 380 million in 2025.

About EKF

The EKF Group comprises established businesses with operations in Germany, Poland and Russia (where EKF will, upon Admission, hold 60 per cent. of the issued share capital of the local entity) which are focused on the design, development, manufacture and selling of diagnostic instruments and reagents. The group also sells ancillary products including a line of proprietary cuvettes (small transparent containers which contain the patients' specimen in the device). The EKF Group's products and devices are designed to meet the needs of smaller professional clinical and research laboratories, doctors' offices, sports clinics and athletic testing sites. The EKF Group has its own sales force and is particularly strong in Eastern Europe and Russia which, the Directors believe, represent significant

untapped point of care markets.

Future Growth

The Directors, drawing on their experience in building companies in the diagnostics market, have identified a clear strategy for generating shareholder value through the following initiatives:

Improving the sales and marketing strategy - the Directors believe this is currently significantly under resourced and that EKF is under represented in four of the five largest markets in Western Europe as well as in the US. The Directors intend to develop stronger distribution relationships in Italy, France, Spain, the UK and in the US and to continue improving the Company's existing sales and marketing strategy in Germany.

The Directors also believe there is a significant opportunity to build the sales base of the Hemocontrol device, EKF's CLIA waived (US FDA home use approved) device for testing for haemoglobin and haematocrit, in order to compete with the only established competitor in the US;

- Gaining further regulatory approvals to enable the launch of products - examples include the proposed launch of EKF's glycated haemoglobin instrument in late 2010;
- Centralising and expanding manufacturing capability centralisation of the Enlarged Group's manufacturing activities is expected to provide cost savings and optimise production;
- Enhancing the product base through research and development
 through the utilisation of EKF's research and development facilities in
 Germany to develop an ongoing supply of new products;
- **Re-evaluating the distribution business model** by gradually building on the value of direct sales with the consequent improvement upon gross margins; and
- Acquiring other companies or products the Directors will continue to seek acquisition opportunities and are in discussion with a small diagnostics business and have identified other acquisition targets.

Management

David Evans and Julian Baines have a proven track record in acquiring, integrating and growing businesses in the diagnostic area, exemplified by their role at BBI Holdings plc ("BBI"), which they grew through acquisition and organic growth, from a value of £4 million at the time of the management buyout in 2000, to a value of £84 million in 2007, when BBI was sold to Inverness Medical Innovations Inc. David is also chairman of Immunodiagnostic Systems Holdings plc.

The Directors have focused on the retention of high quality management within the group. Berthold Walter, the Chief Executive Officer of EKF, who has expertise in the development and manufacture of diagnostic platforms, will remain with the Enlarged Group as Managing Director of the EKF Group.

The Market

While the Enlarged Group will market products to small centralised diagnostic testing laboratories, it is the point of care market which, in the Directors' opinion, represents the greatest commercial opportunity. Point of care testing is defined as diagnostic tests completed in close proximity to patients. By performing diagnostic tests closer to patients and obtaining results directly at the point of care, care providers can immediately diagnose and treat patients.

It is estimated that approximately 70 per cent. of medical decisions are based on diagnostic test results and there is a growing demand for faster testing which simply cannot be addressed by centralised testing laboratories. The availability of viable point of care testing technologies is now highlighting the cost and outcome benefits (in particular the relative costs of delaying diagnosis) and this is driving evolution of the market towards the least expensive and most efficient means of testing.

According to Frost & Sullivan, the US is the largest point of care market, worth an estimated value of US\$2.1 billion in 2009 with a compound annual growth rate of 9.2 per cent. The western European point of care market was valued at US\$1.29 billion in 2007, growing at an annual rate of 10.4 per cent. In 2008 the Asia Pacific market was estimated to be worth US\$190 million.

Current Trading

On 10 June 2010, the Company announced its audited results for the year ended 31 December 2009. Revenue for the period was £256,000 (2008: £465,000), the loss before tax was £277,000 (2008: £923,000) and as at 31 December 2009, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of £3,037,000. The Company has continued to trade in line with the Directors' expectations since 31 December 2009 and the Board continues to seek opportunities for the disposal of its remaining licensing business assets. A copy of the annual report and accounts for the three financial years ending 31 December 2009 can be found on the Company's website at www.iblplc.com.

Trading at EKF in the first quarter of the financial year was impacted by reduced public sector budgets for the year ended 31 March 2010 and by a delay in a significant Chinese contract which did not commence until April 2010.

The Directors believe that the Acquisition will be a step change for the Company and they view the future with confidence.

The Company's year-end remains 31 December and the first consolidated results for the Enlarged Group will be for the year ended 31 December 2010.

Principal Terms of the Acquisition

Under the Acquisition Agreement, the Company has, conditional upon, *inter alia*, Admission, agreed to acquire EKF for a total consideration of €14.32 million. The consideration will be satisfied by the payment of €11.32 million in cash on Completion and €3 million satisfied by the issue of 16,732,482 new Ordinary Shares at the Placing Price, on the second anniversary of Completion. This deferred share consideration will be reduced to the extent that there have been any successful claims under the warranties in the Acquisition Agreement.

Placing

Under the Placing the Company is raising approximately £15.06 million, before

expenses, through the placing of 100,435,653 new Ordinary Shares at the Placing Price.

The Placing Shares will, upon allotment, rank *pari passu* in all respects with the Existing Ordinary Shares. The Placing Price of 15 pence per Placing Share represents a discount of approximately 26.83 per cent. to the middle market price of an Ordinary Share at the close of business on 14 June 2010, being the latest practicable date prior to the publication of this document.

Reverse Takeover

In view of its size, in relation to the Company, the Acquisition constitutes a reverse takeover under the AIM Rules and, as such, is conditional upon Shareholders' approval, the admission of the Enlarged Issued Share Capital to trading on AIM and the publication of an Admission Document. It is expected that Admission will become effective and dealings on AIM of the Enlarged Issued Share Capital will commence on 7 July 2010.

Change of Name

To reflect the EKF brand within the diagnostic devices market place it is proposed to change the name of the Company to EKF Diagnostics Holdings plc.

Recommendation

The Board considers that the Proposals are in the best interests of the Company and would promote the success of the Company for the benefit of its Shareholders as a whole and unanimously recommend you to vote in favour of the Resolutions to be proposed at the General Meeting as they intend to do in respect of their aggregate shareholdings of 5,618,153 Existing Ordinary Shares representing approximately 13.38 per cent. of the Company's Existing Ordinary Shares.

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DEFINITIONS

The following definitions apply throughout this announcement unless the context requires otherwise.

"Acquisition" the proposed acquisition by the Company

of the entire issued share capital of EKF, to be effected pursuant to the Acquisition

Agreement;

"Acquisition Agreement" the agreement dated 15 June 2010, under

which the Company has conditionally

agreed to acquire EKF;

"Admission" First Admission, Second Admission and

Third Admission (and for any of them as the

case may be);

"Admission Document" the Admission document dated 15 June

2010:

"AIM" the market of that name operated by the

London Stock Exchange;

"AIM Rules" the AIM Rules for Companies published by the London Stock Exchange which set out the rules and responsibilities in relation to companies whose shares are admitted to AIM: "Board" or "Directors" the directors of the Company at the date of this document; "Cash Consideration" the cash consideration of €11,320,000 to be paid to shareholders of EKF pursuant to the Acquisition Agreement; "Change of Name" the proposed change of name of the Company to EKF Diagnostics Holdings plc; "Completion" completion of the Proposals; "Consideration Shares" the issue of 16,732,482 new Ordinary Shares, with a value of €3,000,000, at the Placing Price, to be issued to the vendors of EKF pursuant to the Acquisition Agreement on the second anniversary of Completion; "EKF" EKF-diagnostic GmbH "Enlarged Group" the Company and its subsidiaries following completion of the Acquisition; "Enlarged Issued Share Capital" the entire issued share capital of the Company as enlarged by the issue of the Placing Shares; "Existing Ordinary Shares" the 41,991,653 Ordinary Shares in issue at the date of this announcement; the 10,666,665 Placing Shares proposed to "First Tranche Placing Shares" be subscribed by certain venture capital trusts and EIS investors; "General Meeting" the general meeting of the Company to be held at 11.00 a.m. on 2 July 2010, at the offices of Memery Crystal LLP, 44 Southampton Buildings, London WC2A 1AP; "Group" the Company and its subsidiaries as at the date of this document; "Ordinary Shares" the ordinary shares of 1 pence each in the capital of the Company; "Placing" the conditional placing of the Placing Shares by Zeus Capital and Matrix Corporate Capital, as agents for the Company, pursuant to the Placing Agreement: "Placing Agreement" the conditional agreement dated 15 June 2010, between (1) the Company, (2) the Directors, (3) Zeus Capital and (4) Matrix Corporate Capital, relating to the Placing 15p per Placing Share; "Placing Price" "Placing Shares" 100,435,653 new Ordinary Shares to be issued pursuant to the Placing; "Proposals" the Acquisition, the Placing, the Change of Name, the increase in authorised share capital and Admission; "Resolutions" the resolutions set out in the notice of General Meeting; "Second Admission" admission of the Second Tranche Placing Shares to trading on AIM becoming effective in accordance with the AIM Rules; "Second Tranche Placing Shares" the 25,499,998 Placing Shares (not being the First Tranche Placing Shares) proposed to be subscribed by certain venture capital trusts; "Shareholder" the holder of Existing Ordinary Shares; "Third Admission" admission of the Third Tranche Placing

Shares to trading on AIM becoming

effective in accordance with the AIM Rules;

the 64,268,990 Placing Shares (other than the First Tranche Placing Shares and the Second Tranche Placing Shares);

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