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## Luther advises Schlecker on transfer of shopping centres

Stuttgart, 10 December 2009 - Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH advised Schlecker on the reorganisation of its shopping centres.

The Schlecker shopping centres affected by the reorganisation are those in Ehingen, Geislingen, Göppingen, Schwäbisch Gmünd and Neu-Ulm. The shopping centres in Schwäbisch Gmünd, Göppingen and in Geislingen will be run in the future by the Kaufland Group, which will also undertake to run the self-service store in Ehingen. The employees from all the shopping centres will also be transferred.

The implementation of the transaction is subject to the consent of the antitrust agency.

On behalf of Schlecker:

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On behalf of Kaufland: Inhouse, Jürgen Grossmann, Daniela Negele

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