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# CERBA EUROPEAN LAB S.A.S. ANNOUNCES LAUNCH OF OFFERING OF €355,000,000 SENIOR SECURED NOTES DUE 2020

Saint-Ouen-L'Aumône, France — Monday 14 January 2013. Cerba European Lab S.A.S. ("Cerba European Lab") today announced that it has launched an offering of €355,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its senior secured notes due 2020.

The proceeds from the offering, if completed, are expected to be used to (i) repay in full the outstanding amounts under the existing senior and mezzanine facilities, including accrued interest and prepayment penalties thereunder, (ii) pay the termination costs of certain existing swaps, (iii) increase cash on balance sheet to be used for general corporate purposes and (iv) pay related fees and expenses in connection with the offering and related transactions.

#### About Cerba European Lab

Cerba European Lab is a leading European clinical pathology laboratory that provides routine and specialized clinical laboratory testing services primarily in France, Belgium and Luxembourg and supports pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies worldwide in the clinical trial phase of their drug development processes.

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