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Vonovia gets competition clearance to become largest residential company in Sweden

- Vonovia can now complete its acquisition of 69.3% of the voting rights (61.2% of the share capital) in Hembla
- Next step: Mandatory public offer to all Hembla shareholders expected to be published in November

Bochum/Stockholm, 5 November 2019 – Vonovia SE today received competition clearance by the Swedish Competition Authority for its acquisition of 69.3% of the voting rights (61.2% of the share capital) in Swedish residential company Hembla AB (publ). The acquisition will be completed shortly.

This clears the way for Vonovia to become Sweden's largest residential company. After completion of the acquisition, Vonovia will be required to launch a mandatory public offer for the remaining shares in Hembla. Completion of the acquisition and the launch of the mandatory public offer for the remaining shares in Hembla are expected to take place in November.

This is Vonovia's second step into the Swedish market after acquiring residential company Victoria Park in 2018. Through Victoria Park's and Hembla's highly complementary portfolios, Vonovia becomes the largest landlord in Sweden, owning around 38,000 residential units and gaining a compelling exposure to Sweden's three largest cities Stockholm, Gothenburg and Malmö. As a long term investor and holder of properties Vonovia is committed to the Swedish market and will focus on expansion and further investment in Hembla's properties. It is not part of its strategy to realize value through the future sale of buildings.

The investment in Hembla perfectly fits Vonovia's long-term strategy that puts the tenant in the center of all business activity. As a modern service company, Vonovia focuses on customer orientation and tenant satisfaction. The company has built up on its scalable platform services for customers and established a craftsmen organization that enhances

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the quality of its flats. Offering tenants attractive and high quality living is a prerequisite for the company's successful development. Accordingly, Vonovia makes long-term investments in the maintenance, energy efficiency modernization and senior-friendly conversion of its properties.

About Vonovia

Vonovia SE is Europe's leading private residential real estate company. Vonovia currently owns around 395,600 residential units in all attractive cities and regions in Germany, Austria and Sweden. In addition, it manages around 78,350 apartments on behalf of third parties. Its portfolio is worth approximately EUR 47.8 billion. As a modern service provider, Vonovia focuses on customer orientation and tenant satisfaction. Offering tenants attractive and livable homes is a prerequisite for the company's successful development. Accordingly, Vonovia makes long-term investments in the maintenance, modernization and senior-friendly conversion of its properties. The company is also creating more and more new apartments by realizing infill developments and adding to existing buildings.

The company, which is based in Bochum, has been listed on the stock exchange since 2013 and on the DAX 30 since September 2015. Vonovia SE is also listed on the international indices STOXX Europe 600, MSCI Germany, MSCI Germany, GPR 250 and EPRA/NAREIT Europe. Vonovia has a workforce of more than 10,000 employees.

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In connection with the potential offer an offer document will be filed with and published by the Swedish Financial Supervisory Authority. Shareholders of Hembla AB should read the offer document carefully when it becomes available, since it will contain important information about the transaction. Shareholders of Hembla AB may obtain free copies of the offer document, any amendments or supplements thereto and other documents containing important information about the transaction, from a website, which Vonovia SE will publish in due course in accordance with Swedish law.

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