

Ad Hoc Report in Accordance with § 15 WpHG (German securities trade act)

Utimaco starts negotiations about a domination and/or profit transfer agreement

Oberursel, November 3, 2008 - Utimaco Safeware AG agreed with its major shareholder, Sophos Holdings GmbH, a subsidiary of Sophos PLC, to set up discussions upon the conclusion of a domination and/or profit transfer agreement with Utimaco Safeware AG as dominated company.

Utimaco Safeware AG, with headquarters in Oberursel, near Frankfurt am Main, Germany, is listed in the Prime Standard in the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (ISIN DE0007572406).

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Utimaco Safeware AG – The Data Security Company

Celebrating 25 years in business, Utimaco is a leading global provider of data security solutions, enabling mid- to large-size organizations to safeguard their data assets against intentional or accidental data loss, and to comply with privacy laws. Utimaco's complete range of data security solutions provide full 360 degree data protection for data at rest, data in motion and data in use. Utimaco offers its customers comprehensive on-site support via a world-wide network of certified partners and subsidiaries. Utimaco Safeware AG, with headquarters in Oberursel, near Frankfurt, Germany, is listed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (ISIN DE0007572406). For more information please visit www.utimaco.com.