



## Preliminary Final Result

of the public tender offer by

### **BASF Handels- und Exportgesellschaft mbH**

for all publicly held registered shares with a nominal value of CHF 1 each of

### **Ciba Holding AG, Basel**

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On October 1, 2008, BASF Handels- und Exportgesellschaft mbH, Ludwigshafen am Rhein, Germany («**BASF**»), published a public tender offer («**Tender Offer**» or «**Offer**») in accordance with article 22 et seq. of the Federal Stock Exchange and Securities Trading Act (*Bundesgesetz über die Börsen und den Effektenhandel*) for all publicly held registered shares of Ciba Holding AG, Basel («**Ciba**»), with a nominal value of CHF 1 each (the «**Ciba-Shares**»). The offer price for each Ciba-Share amounts to CHF 50 net, less the gross amount of any dilution effects becoming effective prior to the settlement of the Tender Offer, as further described in the offer prospectus dated October 1, 2008 (the «**Offer Prospectus**»).

<b>Preliminary Final Result</b>	<p>Until the expiration of the additional acceptance period on November 14, 2008, 53,350,051 Ciba-Shares have been tendered under the Tender Offer. This corresponds to 80.62% of the Ciba-Shares to which the Tender Offer relates.</p> <p>Furthermore, BASF has acquired 9,021,802 Ciba-Shares over the counter during the additional acceptance period. Together with the 1,011,536 Ciba Shares which BASF already held prior to the publication of the pre-announcement, BASF therewith holds 10,033,338 Ciba-Shares.</p> <p>Including the 1,918,547 own Ciba-Shares held by Ciba, a total participation in the aggregate of 65,301,936 Ciba-Shares results corresponding to 94.55% of the share capital and the voting rights of Ciba.</p>
<b>Satisfaction of Conditions</b>	<p>According to the definitive interim result dated November 3, 2008, conditions (a) and (f) according to Section B.6 (<i>Conditions</i>) of the Offer</p>

	<p>Prospectus are satisfied.</p> <p>Conditions (b), (c), (d), (e), (g), (h) and (i) according to Section B.6 (<i>Conditions</i>) of the Offer Prospectus, which have not yet been satisfied, are conditions subsequent in the meaning of article 13(4) of the Swiss Takeover Boards's Ordinance on Tender Offers and remain in force until they have been satisfied or waived.</p>
<b>Settlement</b>	<p>The settlement date will be postponed according to Section B.6 (<i>Conditions</i>) of the Offer Prospectus. Payment of the offer price will occur at the latest ten trading days after the conditions subsequent (b), (c), (d), (e), (g), (h) und (i) according to Section B.6 (<i>Conditions</i>) of the Offer Prospectus have been satisfied or waived.</p>
<b>Sales Restrictions</b>	<p>The Tender Offer is subject to the sales restrictions according to the Offer Prospectus. The Offer Prospectus and all other tender offer documents are accessible under <a href="http://www.basf-info.com">www.basf-info.com</a>.</p>
<b>Offer Manager</b>	<p>Bank Vontobel AG, Zurich</p>

Ciba Holding AG Registered Shares

Swiss Security Number: 581972

ISIN CH0005819724

Ticker: CIBN

Ciba Holding AG registered Shares Tendered for Acceptance (Second Line)

Swiss Security Number: 4604230

ISIN CH0046042302

Ticker: CIBNE

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