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**Public Exchange Offer completed successfully**

The *Autorité des marchés financiers* (the "AMF") published today the interim results of the public exchange offer initiated by Holcim Ltd for the shares of Lafarge S.A. (the "Offer").

As of July 7, 2015, a total of 252,230,673 shares, representing 87.46 percent of the share capital and at least 81.47 percent of the voting rights<sup>1</sup> of Lafarge S.A. have been tendered to the Offer. The success of the Offer was subject to the condition that a minimum acceptance threshold of 2/3 of Lafarge's share capital or voting rights be reached by Holcim Ltd. Final results shall be published by the AMF on July 9, 2015.

The result reflects the confidence of shareholders in the future company. Both companies are very pleased with this positive outcome as it paves the way towards completion of the merger.

The offer document relating to the Offer is available on the website of the AMF ([www.amf-france.org](http://www.amf-france.org)) and of Holcim Ltd ([www.holcim.com](http://www.holcim.com)), and is also available free of charge upon request at:

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As disclosed in the documentation, the settlement-delivery of the new shares to shareholders having tendered their Lafarge S.A. shares is scheduled as from July 13, 2015.

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*This release is also available in German and French*

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<sup>1</sup> Based on the total number of shares outstanding as of July 7, 2015: 288,401,848 shares representing no more than 309,601,782 voting rights. The number of voting rights is an estimate taking only partially into account the loss of double voting rights attached to tendered shares.

### **About Holcim**

Holcim is a global leader in the manufacture and distribution of cement and aggregates (crushed stone, gravel, and sand), as well as other activities, including ready-mix concrete, asphalt, and associated services. The company holds majority and minority shareholdings in some 70 countries and on every continent. In 2014, Holcim recorded net sales of over CHF 19.1 billion. Thanks to our market-oriented structures, product innovations, skilled employees and efficient environmental management systems, Holcim is in a strong position now - and for years. More information is available on Holcim website site: [www.holcim.com](http://www.holcim.com)

### **About Lafarge**

A world leader in building materials, Lafarge employs 63,000 people in 61 countries, and posted sales of €12.8 billion in 2014. As a top-ranking player in its Cement, Aggregates and Concrete businesses, it contributes to the construction of cities around the world, through its innovative solutions providing them with more housing and making them more compact, more durable, more beautiful, and better connected. With the world's leading building materials research facility, Lafarge places innovation at the heart of its priorities in order to contribute to more sustainable construction and to better serve architectural creativity.

More information is available on Lafarge's website: [www.lafarge.com](http://www.lafarge.com)

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