## Proposal by the Board of Directors of Getinge AB on amendments to the Articles of Association

The Board of Directors of Getinge AB proposes that Annual General Meeting 2011, due to changes in the Swedish Companies Act that entered into force on 1 November 2010 and 1 January 2011, resolves to amend §§ 8–11 of the Articles of Association in accordance with the following:

## **Current wording**

## **Proposed wording**

### Unofficial translation

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## Notice

Notice of Annual General Meetings and Extraordinary General Meetings of shareholders, at which proposed changes to the Articles of Association will be addressed, shall be announced not more than six weeks and not less than four weeks prior to the meetings. Notice of other Extraordinary General Meetings of shareholders shall be announced not more than six weeks and not less than two weeks prior to the meetings.

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Moreover, the Board of Directors proposes that the Board of Directors, or whomever the Board of Directors may appoint, shall be authorized to make such minor adjustments of the above resolution as may prove necessary in conjunction with the registration with the Swedish Companies Registration Office.

The deletion of the first paragraph in § 9 means the provisions in the Swedish Companies Act on the time for convening General Meetings will apply. This is not intended to involve any change in substance, but it may be noted that, since 1 January 2011, notices of Extraordinary General Meetings where no amendments to the Articles of Association are to be addressed must be issued not more than six weeks and not less than *three* weeks prior to the Meeting. The amendments in § 10 and the first paragraph of § 11 are of an editorial nature.

After the proposed amendments, Getinge AB's Articles of Association will have the wording set out in <u>Appendix A</u>.

## **Majority requirement**

The resolution by the Meeting requires the support of shareholders representing at least two-thirds of both the votes cast and the shares represented at the Meeting.

Getinge in March 2011

The Board of Directors of Getinge AB (publ)

## **Appendix A – Articles of Association Getinge AB (publ)**

Unofficial translation

§ 1

#### Corporate name

The registered name of the Company is Getinge AB (publ.).

§ 2

#### Registered office

The registered office of the Board of Directors is in the municipality of Halmstad, Halland County, Sweden.

§ 3

#### **Operations**

The object of the Company's operations shall be to, directly or indirectly through subsidiaries, engage in the manufacture and sale of medical technical equipment, and in any other activities compatible therewith.

**§4** 

#### Share capital

The share capital shall amount to not less than seventy five million (75,000,000) Swedish kronor and not more than three hundred million (300,000,000) Swedish kronor.

§ 5

#### **Number of shares**

The number of shares shall be not fewer than one hundred and fifty million (150,000,000) and not more than six hundred million (600,000,000).

Shares may be issued in two series, designated Series A and Series B. Series A shares may be issued in a number not exceeding three hundred million (300,000,000) and Series B shares in a number not exceeding three hundred million (300,000,000).

In connection with voting at Annual General Meetings, Series A shares shall carry ten (10) voting rights per share and Series B shares shall carry one (1) voting right per share.

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## Preferential rights in connection with share capital increases

In the event of the Company deciding to issue new Series A or B shares by means of a cash issue or offset issue, owners of Series A and Series B shares shall have preferential rights to subscribe for new shares of the same class in relation to the number of shares previously held by them (primary preferential right). Shares not subscribed for on the basis of primary preferential rights shall be offered for subscription to all shareholders (subsidiary preferential right). If the number of shares offered in this manner is insufficient for subscription, based on subsidiary preferential rights, the shares shall be distributed among the subscribers in relation to the number of shares already held and previously owned by them, and, to the extent that this is not possible, by lottery.

If the Company decides to issue new shares solely of Series A or Series B through a cash issue or an offset issue, all shareholders, regardless of whether they own Series A or Series B shares, shall have preferential rights to the subscription of new shares in relation to the number of shares previously held.

If the Company decides to issue share warrants or convertibles through a cash issue or offset issue, the shareholders shall have preferential rights to subscribe for share warrants as if the issue applied to the shares that may be newly subscribed for as a result of the warrant rights, or shall have preferential rights to subscribe for convertibles as if the issue applied to shares for which the convertibles may be exchanged.

The above stipulations shall not constitute any infringement on the possibility to make a decision regarding a cash issue or an offset issue in which the preferential rights of shareholders are waived.

In the event of an increase in share capital through a bonus issue, new shares of each series shall be issued in relation to the number of shares of the same series already held. In such cases, old shares of a specific series carry entitlement to new shares of the same series. The aforementioned stipulation shall not constitute any infringement on the possibility, following the requisite amendment in the Articles of Association, to issue shares of a new series through a bonus issue.

§ 7

#### **Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors shall, in addition to any members who, pursuant to Swedish law, may be appointed other than by a General Meeting of the Company, comprise no fewer than three and no more than seven members with a maximum of seven deputy members. Members and deputy members shall be elected by the Annual General Meeting for the period extending to the close of the next Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.

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#### Financial year

The Company's financial year shall be the calendar year.

§ 13

### **Record date provision**

The Company's shares shall be registered in a CSD register pursuant to the Financial Instruments Act (1998:1479).

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