

August 16, 2010

Subject: Fermentas Acquired by Thermo Fisher Scientific

Dear Fermentas customers:

I am pleased to inform you that Fermentas has been acquired by Thermo Fisher Scientific, the world leader in serving science. With annual revenues of more than \$10 billion and over 35,000 employees around the world, Thermo Fisher has the resources and talent to support continuous innovation and growth to meet the changing needs of our customers.

Thermo Fisher and Fermentas share a strong commitment to advancing nucleic acid detection and providing new tools for molecular biology research and diagnostics. This combination brings together complementary products and services such as Fermentas' leading enzyme portfolio and nucleic acid purification tools and Thermo Fisher's broad range of life science reagents and consumables. Together this will provide more efficient workflows for our customers.

The acquisition, which was completed in July, will be seamless for our customers. You should have confidence that we will continue to deliver the high-quality products and support you have come to expect from Fermentas, and your existing contacts with the business remain the same. The daily business of Fermentas (orders, invoices, service, support, seminars) will continue as before. However, you should note our new e-mail addresses, which are valid for all countries:

Orders, general questions: info.fermentas.europe@thermofisher.com
Technical support: techsupport.fermentas.europe@thermofisher.com
Freezer Programme: freezer.fermentas.europe@thermofisher.com
All employee e-mails: firstname.lastname@thermofisher.com

This transaction represents a new opportunity for our business, and we are excited about the future prospects it holds for you, and for us. Thank you for your support of Fermentas and welcome as a customer of Thermo Fisher Scientific. We look forward to continuing to build our relationship with you.

If you do have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Frank Schestag, General Manager, at Frank.Schestag@thermofisher.com or call +49 (0) 6227 356790.

Best regards,



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