

Press Release

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Fresenius Helios joins Rhön-Klinikum AG in defending against lawsuit filed by B. Braun

Fresenius Helios will join Rhön-Klinikum AG in defending against the lawsuit filed by B. Braun Melsungen AG on November 21, 2013, which seeks to void the agreement between Fresenius Helios and Rhön-Klinikum on the sale of 43 hospitals and 15 outpatient facilities.

The lawsuit is without merit: the Management and Supervisory Boards of Rhön-Klinikum were in full compliance with all relevant laws when they entered into the purchase agreement. Approval of the sale by a general meeting of shareholders is not required. Separate legal opinions, which were obtained independently by Rhön-Klinikum and Fresenius before the contract was signed, confirmed this unanimously.

Ulf Mark Schneider, CEO of Fresenius, said: "We believe the lawsuit has no merit, and we will fully support Rhön-Klinikum in defending against it. We still want to resolve this matter amicably. But for that to happen, all the parties concerned must be ready to accept a reasonable solution."

The lawsuit by B. Braun has no suspensive effect on the transaction, which will be completed as soon as approval is received from Germany's Federal Cartel Office.

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