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Investigation against Clariant Ltd

SIX Exchange Regulation opens an investigation against Clariant Ltd on account of a possible breach of the ad hoc disclosure requirements.

SIX Exchange Regulation, which monitors and enforces issuer obligations on behalf of SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd, opened an investigation against Clariant Ltd on 11 January 2018 on account of a possible breach of the ad hoc disclosure requirements.

The investigation was opened in connection with Clariant Ltd's press release regarding the announcement of the agreement on the merger between Clariant Ltd and Huntsman Corporation dated 22 May 2017.

Investigatory proceedings will continue for an indefinite period. SIX Exchange Regulation will announce the findings. No information will be provided while the investigatory proceedings are ongoing.

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