

## Press Release

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# MPS Group shareholders approve Adecco's acquisition

Formal close of transaction anticipated on January 19, 2010

**Zurich, Switzerland, January 15, 2010: Adecco Group, the world's leading provider of HR solutions, announced today that the shareholders of MPS Group, Inc. ('MPS Group') have approved the acquisition.**

At a special meeting held earlier today, MPS Group shareholders approved the previously announced agreement and plan of merger entered into with Adecco. After having received all necessary regulatory approvals, the positive vote of MPS Group shareholders represents the final substantive step towards a successful completion of the transaction. The acquisition is anticipated to formally close on January 19, 2010.

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### **About the Adecco Group**

The Adecco Group, based in Zurich, Switzerland, is the world's leading provider of HR solutions. With over 28,000 FTE employees and more than 5,700 offices, in over 60 countries and territories around the world, Adecco Group offers a wide variety of services, connecting more than 500,000 colleagues with over 100,000 clients every day. The services offered fall into the broad categories of temporary staffing, permanent placement, outsourcing, consulting and outplacement. The Adecco Group is a Fortune Global 500 company.

Adecco S.A. is registered in Switzerland (ISIN: CH0012138605) with listings on the SIX Swiss Exchange (ADEN) and on Euronext in France (ADE).