

## **DELHAIZE GROUP SHAREHOLDERS APPROVE 2010 DIVIDEND AND ELECT NEW MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

*BRUSSELS, Belgium, May 26, 2011 - Delhaize Group (Euronext Brussels: DELB, NYSE: DEG), the Belgian international food retailer, announced today that during its Ordinary and Extraordinary General Meeting its shareholders have approved the annual accounts for fiscal year 2010 and the distribution of a EUR 1.72 gross dividend per share. After deduction of a 25% withholding tax, this results in a net dividend of EUR 1.29 per share.*

The 2010 dividend will become payable to owners of ordinary shares against coupon no. 49. The Delhaize Group shares will start trading ex-coupon on June 1, 2011 (opening of the market). The record date (i.e. the date at which shareholders are entitled to the dividend) is June 3, 2011 (closing of the market) and the dividend will be payable as from June 6, 2011. The ADR dividend record date is June 3, 2011 and the payment of the dividend to Delhaize Group's ADR holders will be made through Citibank beginning on June 9, 2011.

During the General Meeting, Delhaize Group's President and Chief Executive Officer, Pierre-Olivier Beckers, confirmed the earlier-announced capital expenditures and network expansion guidance for the full year 2011.

The shareholders approved the renewal of the mandate of Mr. Hugh G. Farrington as director for a term of three years and of Mr. Jacques de Vacleroy and Baron Vansteenkiste each as independent director for a term of four years. The shareholders approved the appointment of Mr. Jean-Pierre Hansen, Mr. William G. McEwan and Mr. Mats Jansson as independent directors for a term of three years.

The speeches and presentations, the minutes of the Meeting and the results of the votes will be made available on the Delhaize Group website ([www.delhaizegroup.com](http://www.delhaizegroup.com)) in the coming days.

### **» Delhaize Group**

Delhaize Group is a Belgian international food retailer present in six countries on three continents. At the end of the first quarter of 2011, Delhaize Group's sales network consisted of 2 816 stores. In 2010, Delhaize Group posted EUR 20.8 billion (USD 27.6 billion) in revenues and EUR 574 million (USD 762 million) in net profit (Group share). At the end of 2010, Delhaize Group employed approximately 138 600 people. Delhaize Group's stock is listed on NYSE Euronext Brussels (DELB) and the New York Stock Exchange (DEG).

This press release is available in English, French and Dutch. You can also find it on the website [www.delhaizegroup.com](http://www.delhaizegroup.com). Questions can be sent to [investor@delhaizegroup.com](mailto:investor@delhaizegroup.com).

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