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STRATEGIC INVESTOR SKion SHARES IN BMZ GROUP

Karlstein am Main, Germany, July 28, 2022 – BMZ Group is pleased to announce that the strategic investment company SKion has acquired a 20% stake in BMZ Group. The focus for both companies is the strategic development of BMZ Group, which defines itself as THE GREEN ENERGY SYSTEM provider. With its lithium-ion system solutions, the BMZ Group develops and manufactures an important part of the infrastructure for the energy and transport turnaround in the areas of home and industrial storage/green energy as well as e-mobility and drive systems, among others.

SKion GmbH brings expertise, attitude, capital and networks to its partner companies in order to shape strategic issues and significantly increase corporate values in the long term. When selecting its investment projects, SKion places particular emphasis on sustainability and assuming social responsibility in the design of product portfolio and business models. BMZ is pleased to win SKion as an investor and thus to further expand its positioning in the field of important future topics around the braking of climate change via energy and transport transition.

CEO & Founder of BMZ Group Sven Bauer comments: "We as BMZ Group emerged in 1994 from my firm belief in the potential of lithium-ion battery technology. Over the course of our company's history, we have entered into several successful strategic partnerships. We are very pleased to bring on board SKion, a strategic investor who is looking in the same direction with us. Both companies are interested in shaping corporate futures and pursuing important social goals, such as putting the brakes on climate change, with the help of innovative products and technologies. For us, the value trio of sustainability, continuity and integrity is at the heart of such strategic partnerships."

"BMZ is not only a fast-growing, profitable technology company, it is also an excellent fit for SKion in terms of its socially relevant focus," says Prof. Frank Richter, CEO of SKion alongside Susanne Klatten. "We are delighted that BMZ founder Sven Bauer has chosen us as a strategic partner. It shows his confidence in our business model: return-oriented, value-based, geared for the long term."

SKion is the investment company of entrepreneur Susanne Klatten. It invests in companies with sustainably successful business models. In addition to economic success, the sustainable orientation and social responsibility of the companies play an important role. Susanne Klatten's goal is to have a positive impact on the economy, society and the environment.

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SKion aims to strengthen European companies in particular as drivers of innovation - as a strategic partner acting on the value foundation of family-driven entrepreneurship and offering access to industrial networks and capital. The focus is on growth financing and success solutions. Participation opportunities with like-minded entrepreneurial families and investors are of particular interest to SKion.

Further information on the BMZ Group is available at www.bmz-group.com.

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About BMZ Group:

BMZ Group is a global player in the development and production of cross-industry lithium-ion system solutions. It offers the complete value chain from the cell and the battery to second life and disposal. In addition to supplying markets such as medical, power- & gardentools as well as industrial applications, the BMZ Group sees itself primarily as THE GREEN ENERGY SYSTEM PROVIDER. With the production of home and industrial storage units for photovoltaic systems as well as batteries for electric mobility, BMZ manufactures the heart of the necessary infrastructure for the energy and transport turnaround. In view of the impending climate change and its consequences, the BMZ Group is thus fulfilling its social, economic and ecological responsibility. The Group is headquartered in Germany and has additional production facilities in China, Poland and the USA, as well as subsidiaries in Japan, the UK and France. In addition, there are research and development sites worldwide. More than 1,800 employees work for the BMZ Group.

About SKion GmbH:

As a strategic sparring partner, SKion GmbH operates on the value foundation of family-driven entrepreneurship and offers access to industrial networks and capital.

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