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## NB AURORA SUBSCRIBES A COMMITMENT UP TO EUR 30 MILLION TO SUPPORT THE FURTHER GROWTH OF PHSE

Luxembourg, 1st August 2024

NB Aurora S.A. SICAF RAIF ("Aurora"), a permanent capital vehicle listed on the professional segment of Euronext MIV in Borsa Italiana and specialized in expansion capital investments in excellent medium-sized Italian companies, has strengthened the commitment to its portfolio company PHSE S.r.l. ("PHSE", the "Company" or the "Group") by making available new financial resources to the Group – up to a total maximum of EUR 30 million including its own co-investment fund – to support the Group's further strategic acquisitions and long-term growth path.

PHSE is currently a market leader in temperature-controlled transport and distribution of pharmaceuticals, biotech, clinical trials, and biological samples serving the hospital, homecare, and clinical research channels, with a direct presence in 7 countries (Italy, United Kingdom, Spain, United States, Brazil, India, Singapore) through 33 hubs and healthcare sites, 600 direct employees, and 450 owned vehicles.

Aurora invested in PHSE in March 2020, and thanks to its contribution, the Group has already achieved significant growth, with revenue increasing from approximately EUR 27 million in 2019 to approximately EUR 86 million in 2023 (CAGR +33%), completing the acquisition of 5 companies, 3 of which are abroad (UK, India, and Brazil) and 2 in Italy, which have enabled the expansion of product offering and international presence.

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