PRESS RELEASE

THE GENERAL MEETING OF BANCO DI DESIO E DELLA BRIANZA SPA HAS DECIDED TO PAY A SPECIAL DIVIDEND

The general shareholders' meeting of Banco Desio, meeting today, September 28, 2007 at first call, has approved the Board of Directors' proposal for payment of a special dividend of **Euro 0.14325** for each of its 117,000,000 common shares and **Euro 0.1725** for each of its 13,202,000 non-convertible savings shares, gross of legally mandated withholdings, for a total distribution of **Euro 19,037,595.00**, by means of distributing available reserves.

The proposal, based on positive operating performance that has also been strengthened by the economic-financial effects of the well-known sale of a large share of the capital of Anima Sgr, also received preliminary certification from the auditing company PricewaterhouseCoopers S.p.A. and a favorable opinion from the Board of Auditors, with regard to the existence of the reserve to be distributed.

The dividend will be payable starting on October 11, 2007 for dividend no. 16 to shareholders (ex dividend date October 8, 2007).

Desio, September 28, 2007

BANCO DI DESIO E DELLA BRIANZA SPA The President

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