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for the new shares to be issued under the rights issue capital increase against contribution of dividend entitlements, in accordance with the resolution regarding the appropriation of net income approved by the Vonovia SE shareholders' meeting on 16 May 2017 (dividends in the form of shares)

I. Purpose

The shareholders' meeting of Vonovia SE ("Vonovia" or "company") (more information about Vonovia can be found at http://investoren.vonovia.de/hv) resolved on 16 May 2017 under agenda item 2 (resolution on the appropriation of the net income of the 2016 financial year of Vonovia SE) to pay out a dividend of EUR 1.12 per no-par value share carrying dividend rights ("resolution on appropriation of net income"). Shareholders are able to choose whether to have the dividend paid out in cash or in the form of shares in Vonovia. The necessary shares will be issued through partial use of the authorized capital pursuant to § 5b of the Vonovia on 20 May 2016 ("Authorized Capital 2016") against contributions in-kind. The dividend entitlements in connection with the resolution on appropriation of net income will be transferred as contributions in-kind by those shareholders who choose to receive their dividend in the form of shares.

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II. Reasons

The subject matter of this document are the new shares, which will be issued in consideration for the contribution of dividend rights by way of the rights issue capital increase. With this step, Vonovia is giving shareholders who owned no-par value registered shares of Vonovia at 11:59 p.m. CEST on the evening of 16 May 2017, and had not already sold them by this time, the choice of receiving the dividend on these shares in cash or in the form of shares.

Shareholders therefore had the following options:

- The shareholder opted to receive the dividend in cash and notifies his depository bank of this choice, or simply did nothing up to the end of the subscription period for the new shares. In this case, he receives a cash dividend of EUR 1.12 per no-par value share held by him once the subscription period and the handling period required for the technical transaction are over, probably on 16 June 2017.
- The shareholder opted to receive the dividend in the form of shares. In this case, he had to notify his depository bank on the form (the "**Declaration of Subscription and Cession**") that the bank provided for this purpose within the stipulated limitation period and had to transfer his dividend entitlements to COMMERZBANK Aktiengesellschaft, Kaiserstraße 16, 60311, Frankfurt am Main ("**COMMERZBANK**"). Once the subscription period and the handling period required for the technical transaction are over, probably on 21 June 2017, he will receive the new shares, the number of which will depend on the extent to which the dividend entitlements transferred to him (in total) cover

the fixed subscription price per share (total in relation to the number of whole shares to be granted). If contributed dividend entitlements or portions thereof exceed the subscription price (in total) for the shares purchased, the shareholder will receive this balance in cash, rounded down to the nearest whole cent, probably on 16 June 2017. For further details please see sections III. 2 d) and III 4.f) cc).

• The shareholder opted to receive the dividend in cash for part of his shares and the dividend in the form of shares for the remaining part. In this case, the two processes described above apply, with each being applied to the specific shares for which the shareholder has made the relevant decision.

Giving shareholders the choice between a cash dividend and a dividend in the form of shares is common practice at an international level and is chosen by more and more listed companies in Germany. Granting such an option gives shareholders the opportunity for easy re-investment of their dividends into shares of the Company. If the shareholder opted to receive the dividend in the form of shares, he was able to prevent his shareholding in Vonovia being reduced on a percentage basis as a result of the rights issue capital increase. For Vonovia, dividend payments reduce liquidity outflow to the extent that dividend entitlements are reinvested in the company and shares delivered instead of a dividend payment in cash.

III. Details

1. Present capital stock and shares of Vonovia

Vonovia's share capital as per 12 June 2017 totaled EUR 468,796,936.00, divided into 468,796,936 no-par value shares (shares without nominal value) with a pro rata capital stock of EUR 1.00 attributable to one no-par value share. Each share entitles the holder to one vote at the company's shareholders' meeting.

The existing Vonovia shares are admitted to the regulated market for trading on the Frankfurt am Main and Luxembourg stock exchanges as well as to the regulated market subsection with additional post-admission obligations (Prime Standard) on the Frankfurt stock exchange.

The existing Vonovia shares are evidenced in several global certificates deposited with Clearstream Banking AG, Mergenthalerallee 61, 65760 Eschborn (the "**Clearstream**"). Pursuant to § 4.3 of the company's Articles of Incorporation, the right of shareholders to certification of their shares is precluded unless certification is required by the regulations for a stock exchange on which the stock is listed.

All shares issued by Vonovia are assigned the same rights.

The company's shares are freely transferable. Announcements of the company are published in the German Federal Gazette in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation of the company. Notifications made by the company relating to its shares are also published in the German Federal Gazette or, as the case may be, in



media suitable for distribution across the European Economic Area. The paying agent pursuant to Section 30a para. 1 no. 4 WpHG is Deutsche Bank AG.

2. Details of the rights issue capital increase

a) Rights issue capital increase for non-cash contributions from Authorized Capital 2016

The Management Board and the Finance Committee of the Supervisory Board resolved on 12 June 2017 to create the new shares which are the subject matter of this document and which will be issued for contribution of dividend entitlements during the rights issue capital increase by making partial use of Authorized Capital 2016.

b) Number of new shares

The number of new shares that will be created is 7,663,312.

c) Features of the new shares

The new shares, which are the subject matter of this document, will be created in accordance with German law. They will feature the same rights as all other shares of the company and will not confer any additional rights or benefits. Each of the company's shares, including the new shares, entitle the holder to one vote at the company's shareholders' meeting. There are no restrictions on voting rights, except in specific cases prescribed by law. Nor are there different voting rights for certain company shareholders. The new shares will carry full dividend entitlements from 1 January 2017.

The new shares participate in any liquidation proceeds according to their mathematical share of the capital stock.

Each of the new shares will be evidenced in a global certificate, without an owner's global profit share certificate, and deposited with Clearstream. The new shares will be delivered via collective safe custody credit. The new shares will be freely transferable.

d) Rights issue capital increase

The capital increase to create the new shares is a rights issue. To simplify the transaction, it was only possible for each shareholder to exercise his subscription right by commissioning and authorizing COMMERZBANK within the subscription period as third-party trustee to act as specified in the subscription offer. For contribution of the shareholder's dividend entitlements COMMERZBANK will subscribe to the new shares in accordance with the shareholder's choice to receive his dividend in the form of shares, at the determined subscription ratio and the determined subscription price, and will do so in its own name but on the shareholder's account. Following subscription and entry of execution of the rights issue capital increase in the commercial register, it will transfer the new shares

acquired in this process to the shareholder. COMMERZBANK is also obliged to contribute the dividend entitlements transferred to the trusteeship of COMMERZBANK as contribution in kind to Vonovia and to transfer the shares subscribed to under its trusteeship to the shareholders, according to the choice they have made and on the basis of the subscription ratio and the subscription price. If applicable, they will also return any dividend entitlements that are not required to purchase shares, with the assistance of the depository banks. The subscription price is EUR 34.16 and was determined on Friday, 2 June 2017 and published in the Federal Gazette and the Vonovia German on website (http://investoren.vonovia.de/hv). It is the result in Euro of dividing the reference price by EUR 1.12, less a discount set by the Company in the subscription offer of 3.0%, then rounded down to one decimal place and multiplied by EUR 1.12 (the "subscription price"). The reference price is the volume-weighted average price of Vonovia shares in Euro in the Xetra trading system on the Frankfurt stock exchange on the last trading day before the date on which the subscription price was set ("reference price"). The reference price is EUR 35.29. The day for fixing the reference price was 1 June 2017. The number of dividend entitlements required to purchase one new share therefore equals the thus determined subscription price divided by EUR 1.12. The subscription ratio is the relationship between the result of dividing the reference price by EUR 1.12, less a discount set by the Company in the subscription offer of 3.0% and rounded to one decimal place, and one new share (the "subscription ratio"). It is 30.5 : 1. The subscription ratio was also published on 2 June 2017, in the German Federal Gazette and on the Vonovia website (http://investoren.vonovia.de/hv). To the extent the number of dividend entitlements or portions thereof, for which a shareholder has opted to receive the dividend in the form of shares, is not sufficient to cover the subscription of one (additional) whole new share, such shareholder will receive the dividend for such portion in cash (the "residual balance"). The amount of the residual balance is calculated by multiplying the number of dividend entitlements, or portions thereof, that are not sufficient to cover the subscription of one (additional) whole new share by EUR 1.12; if this calculation leads to an amount in Euro with more than two decimals after the decimal point, the result shall be rounded down to the nearest whole cent. The amount resulting from this rounding, that therefore is not paid out, will always be lower than EUR 0.01 per share portfolio. Any commercial rounding, which Clearstream and/or the depository banks may apply due to technical reasons, remains unaffected and shall not be done on account of the company nor on account of COMMERZBANK.

Calculation:

- *Reference price:* EUR 35.29.
- **Subscription price:** Calculation: Result of dividing EUR 35.29 by 1.12: 31.513, less a discount of 3.0%, equals 30.567, rounded down to one decimal place: 30.5, multiplied by EUR 1.12. This leads to: subscription price: EUR 34.16.

- **Subscription ratio:** 30.5 : 1, i.e., one new share can be purchased for 30.5 old shares (and dividend entitlements as non-cash contributions).
- **Residual balance:** If a shareholder transfers dividend entitlements from 31 shares, he transfers 0.5 dividend entitlements too many under this calculation 0.5 dividend entitlements are equal to EUR 0.56 (0.5 x EUR 1.12 = EUR 0.56). This amount shall be paid out to the shareholder in cash. The shareholder therefore receives one new share and EUR 0.56 in cash in exchange for 31 dividend entitlements.

Although the subscription rights have been transferable, they could only be transferred together with the dividend entitlement, because the subscription right could only be exercised if the corresponding dividend entitlement is also transferred.

There were no plans for allowing the subscription rights to be traded on the stock exchange.

The dividend entitlements and the inseparably linked subscription rights from the company's shares, all of which are held in collective safe custody, were booked automatically to the depository banks on 19 May 2017, with effect on the evening of 18 May 2017 (Record Date) by Clearstream. The dividend entitlement posting (ISIN DE000A2E38R2/WKN A2E 38R) automatically included the associated subscription rights. The existing shares of the company will be listed "ex dividend" and hence also "ex subscription right" on the regulated markets of the Frankfurt am Main and Luxembourg stock exchanges, from 17 May 2017 onwards.

The subscription period lasted from 17 May 2017 to 6 June 2017 (inclusively). Subscription rights that have not been exercised within the prescribed period expired without compensation – in this case shareholders will receive the cash dividend. The subscription agent is COMMERZBANK.

The subscription right has been executed for 233.731.016 shares. The Management Board therefore resolved on 12 June 2017, with the consent of the Finance Committee of the Supervisory Board on the same day, to increase the registered share capital by EUR 7,663,312.00 to EUR 476,460,248.00 by issuing 7,663,312 new shares. The capital increase will become effective with the entry in the commercial register of the local court (*Amtsgericht*) of Düsseldorf. The entry is expected to take place on 19 June 2017.

3. Costs and benefits of the offer for Vonovia

Vonovia will not acquire new cash assets as a result of the rights issue but will receive the dividend entitlements as non-cash contributions. To the extent that shareholders opt to receive the dividend in the form of shares, they contribute their dividend entitlements (after transferring their dividend entitlements to COMMERZBANK), which will reduce the dividend to be paid out in cash by Vonovia for the 2016 financial year. The scrip dividend has been elected for 233.731.016 dividend bearing shares. The nominal value of all dividend entitlements to be



contributed therefore amounts to EUR 261,778,737.92; the dividend that Vonovia needs to pay out in cash is reduced by this amount.

The costs of the offer for Vonovia including the remuneration to be paid to COMMERZBANK, who are supporting the transaction, will amount to around EUR 1.1 million (net).

4. Information about exercising the right of choice

a) Entitled shareholders

aa) Shareholders

The right to opt to have dividends paid out in cash or in new shares existed for all owners of no-par value registered shares in Vonovia.

bb) Relevant date

Shareholders who owned no-par value registered shares of Vonovia at 11:59 p.m. CEST on the evening of 16 May 2017 and had not already sold them before, received dividend entitlements which are inseparably linked to subscription rights for shares.

b) Schedule

- 16 May 2017 Resolution, in principle, by the Management Board with the approval of the finance committee of the Supervisory Board concerning a capital increase.
- 16 May 2017 Vonovia's shareholders' meeting.
- 17 May 2017 The subscription offer is published on the Vonovia website and in the German Federal Gazette.
- 17 May 2017 The dividend announcement is published on the Vonovia website and in the German Federal Gazette / Subscription period starts.
- As of 17 May 2017 Ex dividend Vonovia share trading.
- 19 May 2017 Dividend entitlements are posted to securities deposit account customers with their inseparably linked subscription rights according to the depository account balance on the evening of 18 May 2017 (Record Date).
- 1 June 2017 Day on which the reference price for the subscription ratio is fixed (volume weighted average price in Xetra trade/VWAP).

- 2 June 2017 The subscription price and subscription ratio are fixed and announced in the German Federal Gazette.
- 6 June 2017 End of the subscription period, end of the period during which shareholders have the right to exercise a choice.
- 9 June 2017 The total number of new shares to be issued is determined; a resolution adopted by the Management Board and financial committee of the Supervisory Board details the partial use of Authorized Capital 2016.
- 16 June 2017 Expected payout of the cash dividend for those shares for which a cash dividend was chosen, or for which the right of choice was not exercised, as well as the cash dividend for those shares which, when totaled, were not sufficient to purchase one share.
- 19 June 2017 Expected date for entry of execution of the rights issue capital increase in the commercial register at the local court (*Amtsgericht*) of Düsseldorf.
- 19 June 2017 Expected date for admission of the new shares to the regulated market for trading on the Frankfurt am Main (Prime Standard) and Luxembourg stock exchanges.
- 21 June 2017 Expected book transfer of the newly subscribed shares.
- 21 June 2017 Expected first day of trading, incorporation of the new shares in the existing listing.

c) Partial exercise of right of choice

Shareholders did not need to make the choice for all their shares uniformly (even if they were held in a single securities deposit account) but were free to choose to receive the dividend in cash or in shares for the dividend of each share separately.

d) Irrevocability of choice

Shareholders who exercised their right of choice were not able not revoke their choice once it had been made.

e) Information on choosing the dividend in cash

aa) Information about the dividend in cash

The shareholders' meeting of Vonovia AG on 16 May 2017 resolved that a dividend of EUR 1.12 be paid out on each Vonovia share. The dividend is expected to be paid out on 16 June 2017 through the depository banks.



bb) Exercising the right of choice to receive the dividend in cash

Shareholders who opt to receive their dividend in cash need take no special steps to do so.

f) Information on choosing the dividend in the form of shares

aa) Information about the new shares

For information about the new shares, see III. 2. above.

bb) Calculating the subscription price for the new shares

The subscription price was published on Friday, 2 June 2017 in the German Federal Gazette and on the Vonovia website (http://investoren.vonovia.de/hv). It is the result in Euro of dividing the reference price by EUR 1.12, less a discount set by the Company in the subscription offer of 3.0%, then rounded down to one decimal place and multiplied by EUR 1.12 and is EUR 34.16.

cc) Calculating the dividend entitlements required for subscription and the subscription ratio

The number of dividend entitlements required to purchase one new share therefore equals the thus determined subscription price divided by EUR 1.12. The subscription ratio is the relationship between the result of dividing the reference price by EUR 1.12, less a discount set by the Company in the subscription offer of 3.0%, and rounded to one decimal place, and one new share, therefore 30.5 : 1.

A shareholder's "residual balance," which is not sufficient to cover subscription to one full new share, is compensated by making a dividend payment in cash; if the calculation leads to an amount in Euro with more than two decimals after the decimal point, the result shall be rounded down to the nearest whole cent. This means that shareholders whose dividend entitlements for which a dividend in new shares was chosen are not sufficient for one full new share will receive their dividend in cash, rounded down to the nearest whole cent, i.e., at the subscription ratio of 30.5 : 1, one new share will be granted for 31 shares for which the dividend in the form of shares was chosen plus a dividend payment on a percentage basis totaling $0.5 \times EUR \ 1.12 = EUR \ 0.56$. Any commercial rounding, which Clearstream and/or the depository banks may apply due to technical reasons, remains unaffected and shall not be done on account of the company nor on account of COMMERZBANK.

dd) Fees and costs of share subscription

Vonovia SE reimburses the depositary banks for their services with a payment of EUR 0.60 per depository client and an additional EUR 3.00 per depository client who opted for the share dividend. Nevertheless, shareholders who opt to receive the dividend in new shares may have incurred depository bank fees. Please consult your depository bank about the details. Costs which you are charged as securities deposit account customers by depository banks cannot be refunded by Vonovia or by

COMMERZBANK. For the settlement of subscription rights COMMERZBANK, in its function as settlement agent, does not charge an additional commission to the shareholders who elect the share dividend.

ee) Exercising the right of choice to receive the dividend in new shares

Shareholders who opted to receive their dividend in new shares were required to notify their depository bank on the Declaration of Subscription and Assignment provided by their depository bank by 6 June 2017 during normal business hours of the fact that they want to exercise their subscription right and that they are transferring the dividend entitlements for subscription rights that they want to exercise to COMMERZBANK. The dividend entitlements were transferred to COMMERZBANK as third-party trustee on condition that COMMERZBANK transfers the transferred dividend entitlements as non-cash contributions to Vonovia for the subscription price, in its own name but on the shareholder's account, with the obligation, following subscription and entry of execution of the rights issue capital increase in the commercial register, to transfer the shares to the individual shareholders.

ff) Posting the new shares

It is expected that the new shares will be delivered to the acquiring shareholders on 21 June 2017.

5. Admission to trading on the stock exchange

Admission of the new shares to the regulated market for trading on the Frankfurt am Main and Luxembourg stock exchanges as well as to the regulated market subsection with additional post-admission obligations (Prime Standard) on the Frankfurt stock exchange is expected to take place on 19 June 2017. Listing for the new shares on the regulated markets of the above stock exchanges is expected to start on 21 June 2017 when the new shares are incorporated in the listing for existing shares.

6. Tax treatment

The following concise statement does not claim to provide all the necessary information on tax treatment of the dividend and is no substitute for consultation with a tax advisor.

a) Tax treatment of the dividend paid out in cash

Since the dividend for the 2016 financial year will be paid in full from the tax contribution account in accordance with § 27 Corporation Tax Act (*Körperschaftsteuergesetz - KStG*) (contributions other than into nominal capital), no capital gains tax, solidarity surcharge or possible church tax will be deducted. Dividends paid out in cash to shareholders in Germany are not subject to taxation. Dividends do not entitle recipients to tax refunds or tax credits. In the German tax



authorities' view the dividend payment reduces the acquisition costs of the shares for tax purposes.

b) Tax treatment of the dividend paid out in new shares

Since the dividend for the 2016 financial year will be paid in full from the tax contribution account in accordance with § 27 KStG (contributions other than into nominal capital), no capital gains tax, solidarity surcharge or possible church tax will be deducted. Dividends paid out in the form of shares to shareholders in Germany are not subject to taxation. Dividends do not entitle recipients to tax refunds or tax credits.

7. Later submission of confidential information

The details which were originally left open in this information document pursuant to § 4(1)(4) and § 4(2)(5) WpPG and Article 6(2) e) WpPG-Lux, such as the subscription price and the number of subscription rights necessary to purchase one new share, were published in the German Federal Gazette and on the Vonovia website at http://investoren.vonovia.de/hv.

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