

Media release

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AkzoNobel share buyback (March 9, 2020 – March 13, 2020)

AkzoNobel (AKZA; AKZOY) has repurchased 338,674 of its own ordinary shares in the period from March 9, 2020, up to and including March 13, 2020, at an average price of €67.49 per share. The consideration of the repurchase was €22.86 million.

This is part of a repurchase program announced on October 23, 2019. AkzoNobel intends to repurchase common shares up to a value of €500 million. The total number of shares repurchased under this program to date is 4,401,670 ordinary shares for a total consideration of €372.03 million.

The share buyback is due to be completed in the first half of 2020. The company has engaged a third party to manage the program and perform transactions on its behalf. It is intended that the shares will be cancelled following repurchase.

The share buyback will be implemented within the limitations of the authority granted by the Annual General Meeting (AGM) on April 25, 2019. The share repurchase program will be conducted within the parameters prescribed by the Market Abuse Regulation 596/2014 and the safe harbor parameters prescribed by the Commission Delegated Regulation 2016/1052 for share buybacks.

In accordance with regulations, AkzoNobel will inform the market about the progress made in the execution of this program through weekly updates and at <https://www.akzonobel.com/for-investors/shares/share-buyback-overview>

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