Press Release

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Investor's participation in ABB's new rights issue

Investor has subscribed for its pro-rata share of ABB's new rights issue corresponding to 84,047,411 shares, or CHF 336 million.

After the new rights issue, Investor's direct shareholding in ABB totals 204,115,142 shares corresponding to 10.0 percent of the votes and capital.

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