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Re: SYNGENTA AG  
Press Release: **"Syngenta to take stake in Sanbei"**

Filed herewith is a press release related to Syngenta AG. The full text of the press releases follows:

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**Syngenta to take stake in Sanbei, Chinese seeds company**

**Basel, Switzerland, May 14, 2007**

Syngenta announced today that it agreed to take a 49% minority stake in Sanbei Seed Co Ltd, a leading Chinese corn seeds company headquartered in Longhua, Hebei Province. The transaction is subject to the required approvals from the Chinese authorities. Further details of the transaction have not been disclosed.

“Sanbei is an excellent partner for Syngenta to jointly develop innovative corn seed products to meet the growing demand in China for high-quality, high-yielding corn, which is driven by changing agronomic trends and shifting food patterns”, said Michael Mack, Chief Operating Officer Seeds at Syngenta. “The company has strong commercial operations and an attractive product portfolio. Together with Syngenta's expertise in corn breeding this will result in improved and broader product availability for Chinese growers.”

Established in 1998, Sanbei is one of the larger high-value corn seeds companies in China. More than 90% of Sanbei's sales are generated by corn seeds. In 2006, the company reported sales of approximately \$30 million. Sanbei has around 500 employees.

Syngenta is a world-leading agribusiness committed to sustainable agriculture through innovative research and technology. The company is a leader in crop protection, and ranks third in the high-value commercial seeds market. Sales in 2006 were approximately \$8.1 billion. Syngenta employs around 19,500 people in over 90 countries. Syngenta is listed on the Swiss stock exchange (SYNN) and in New York (SYT). Further information is available at [www.syngenta.com](http://www.syngenta.com).

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

SYNGENTA AG

Date: May 14, 2007

By: /s/ Christoph Mäder

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