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Re: SYNGENTA AG

Press Release: **“Board Announcement: Chief Financial Officer Succession”**

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Board Announcement: Chief Financial Officer succession

Basel, Switzerland, July 20, 2007

Syngenta announced today that John Ramsay, Group Financial Controller, will succeed Domenico Scala as Chief Financial Officer with immediate effect.

Domenico Scala has decided to pursue a career as chief executive of another company which plans to make an announcement in due course.

Michael Pragnell, Chief Executive Officer said:

“John has been instrumental in the success of Syngenta since its creation in 2000 and I am delighted to announce his appointment as Chief Financial Officer. His financial acumen and experience will enable him to play an important role in Syngenta’s future. Domenico has made a significant contribution during his four years with the company and we wish him every success in his new career.”

Biography: John Ramsay (49) has been Group Financial Controller since 2000. Prior to that he was Zeneca Agrochemicals Finance Head Asia Pacific (1994 to 1999), Financial Controller ICI Malaysia (1990-1993) and ICI Plant Protection Regional Controller Latin America (1987 to 1990). Prior to joining ICI in 1984 he worked in Audit and Tax at KPMG. Born in Scotland, he is a Chartered Accountant and also holds an honours degree in Finance and Accounting.

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 21,000 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.

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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: July 20, 2007

By:

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