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HAL TO ACQUIRE OPTICAL RETAIL CHAIN “HET HUIS”

Brilmij Groep B.V., a subsidiary of GrandVision B.V. (99% HAL), has reached an agreement with Hans Anders Retail Group B.V. to acquire 100% of the shares in Optical Service Group B.V.

Optical Service Group operates 89 optical retail stores in the Netherlands under the brand name “Het Huis” and has partner contracts with 18 independent optical retail stores that also operate under the “Het Huis” brand. The company reported 2011 revenues of approximately € 33 million and has approximately 350 employees. In the Netherlands, Brilmij operates 277 optical stores under the “Pearle” brand (of which 141 franchise stores) and 166 under the “Eyewish Groeneveld” brand (of which 27 franchise stores). The completion of the transaction is subject to the approval from the Dutch Competition Authority and other conditions customary for this type of transaction, such as finalization of the procedures under the Works Councils Act.

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