



PRESS RELEASE

SOL Group acquires 100% of VitalAire Schweiz AG from Air Liquide, a leading operator in respiratory home care in Switzerland.

The Group continues to strengthen its strategic internationalization path in the home care sector, where it operates through its VIVISOL companies.

SOL Group, a multinational corporation operating in the technical, industrial, and medicinal gases sector and in the home care sector through its "VIVISOL" branded companies, announces that it has strengthened its position in Switzerland through a new acquisition in the home care market, where it already operates via the companies Sitex, Sitex Mad, Spitex Perspecta, Spitex Aloha, and CSAIR.

The company **Airsol S.r.l.** — a wholly-owned subsidiary of SOL S.p.A. — has acquired 100% of the share capital of VitalAire Schweiz AG from Air Liquide. The acquisition was completed at market prices, in line with similar transactions. Further financial details of the operation have not been disclosed.

VitalAire is one of the Swiss market leaders in the home respiratory care sector, with operations across the entire Swiss territory focusing on the treatment and care of obstructive sleep apnea syndrome, mechanical ventilation, and home oxygen therapy.

With a diversified base of over **6,000** patients, VitalAire Switzerland is characterized by a high level of service and technical expertise. It benefits from deep industry knowledge thanks to its historical local roots, a multidisciplinary local team of nearly **30 employees**, and long-standing commercial relationships.

This operation represents a significant strengthening of VIVISOL's presence in the Swiss market, thereby confirming its position among the leading operators in the European market.

Aldo Fumagalli Romario, President and CEO of the SOL Group, commented: *"We are extremely satisfied with this new acquisition, which reflects SOL Group's commitment to pursuing its strategic expansion path in Switzerland. This operation will allow us to complement our existing high-intensity home care activities with home respiratory care, Vivisol's traditional field of specialization."*

SOL is an Italian multinational Group operating in Europe, Turkey, Morocco, Kuwait, India, Brazil, China, Ecuador, and Peru in two primary distinct sectors: the production, applied research, and marketing of technical, pure, and medicinal gases (Technical Gases Area) and home medical assistance (Home Care Area). SOL S.p.A., the parent company of the SOL Group, has been listed on the Milan Stock Exchange since July 1998.

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