



PRESS RELEASE

Sant'Ilario d'Enza – 23 November 2007- At the request of Consob and Borsa Italiana, and in relation to an article which appears in today's *Il Sole 24 Ore* under the headline “I fondi guardano Interpump” [Funds eye up Interpump], we would like to make it quite clear that, although a number of expressions of interest have been received through the years from Italian and foreign Private Equity Funds, none of which have been acted upon, no type of dealing or negotiation whatsoever is currently underway between the Interpump Group or IPG Holding S.p.A. with the Carlyle fund, or indeed any other PEFs.