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Apera supports investment by Avedon into DMS Gruppe

Apera Asset Management ("Apera"), a pan-European private debt investor in the mid-market space, proudly announces the arrangement of a unitranche facility for DMS Gruppe ("DMS" or the "Company"). The new debt facility supports the investment by funds advised by Avedon Capital Partners (Avedon) into DMS.

DMS is a Germany-based, full-service BPO provider offering traditional and automation-supported BPO, consulting services and training, combining in-depth knowledge of the evolving regulatory environment with technological expertise. Founded in 2009 and headquartered in Gera, Thuringia, DMS employs more than 780 FTE, professionally trained by an in-house academy, across 8 locations in Germany. The Company serves a diversified customer base, predominantly in the energy sector, ranging from municipality-backed utilities to blue-chip corporates. The energy transition to net-zero emission targets provides a long-term backdrop for growth in the energy-focused BPO space, driven by increasing process volume, complexity, and outsourcing.

Alexis Weege, Partner at Avedon, said: "We are looking forward to working with Apera, who has provided a tailored financing package to DMS, designed to support our growth ambitions with the Company in a highly attractive segment."

Benjamin Schall, Partner at Apera Asset Management, said: "We are very pleased to complete our first transaction with Avedon and look forward to accompanying DMS on its growth path in the future. We also look forward to developing a fruitful and trustful partnership with both Avedon and the Company."

About Apera

Apera is a pan-European mid-market private debt investor operating in the UK, the DACH region, the Nordic region, France and Benelux. The firm develops long-term partnerships with private equity investors, SME borrowers, and advisors by providing tailored financial solutions that meet both the operational needs and growth objectives of clients, whilst producing attractive returns. Apera is focused on bringing a new standard of transparency to the private debt market. Apera currently has €2.5bn assets under management, with offices in London, Paris, Munich and Luxembourg.