

Tony Ball appointed Chairman of Advisory Board at Kabel Deutschland

Unterfoehring, April 26, 2005 – The shareholders of Kabel Deutschland GmbH (KDG), the leading cable network operator in Germany and Europe, have appointed Tony Ball as Chairman of the KDG Advisory Board.

The Advisory Board provides strategic guidance to the Management Board in all business decisions. As Chairman, Tony Ball will work closely with the Management Board to support the continued successful development of the company. The Advisory Board is comprised of ten members, including shareholder representatives and senior industry leaders. Mr. Ball's appointment will not affect the composition of KDG's Supervisory or Management Board. A consortium of three financial investors, Apax Partners, Goldman Sachs Capital Partners and Providence Equity Partners, acquired KDG in 2003 from Deutsche Telekom AG.

From 1999-2003, Tony Ball was Chief Executive of BSkyB plc, Europe's largest pay TV operator. During this time subscriber numbers doubled to over 7 million and the company was returned to profitability after heavy investment in digital TV.

Tony Ball said:

"I am excited to join the KDG Advisory Board at this time. As Europe's leading cable network operator, KDG is in an excellent position to drive the digitalisation of the German broadcasting market and offer new services and products to their customers."

About Kabel Deutschland

Kabel Deutschland (KDG) is the largest cable network operator in Europe, connecting almost 10 million households in thirteen German states. KDG owns and operates the network infrastructure, is responsible for the marketing of cable access, as well as other related services, and develops new digital TV and Highspeed internet services. The company's digital TV service provides a platform that is open to all content providers. During the fiscal year 2003/2004 (ended March 31, 2004), KDG recorded total revenues of more than one billion Euro and had around 2,300 employees. In 2003, KDG was acquired from Deutsche Telekom by a consortium of financial investors comprised of Apax Partners, Providence Equity Partners and Goldman Sachs Capital Partners.

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