



## **Henry Schein Completes Acquisition of Software of Excellence**

Henry Schein New Zealand (Henry Schein) is pleased to advise that its full takeover offer for Software of Excellence International Limited (SOE) dated 2 July 2007 (as varied) has been accepted by shareholders at NZ\$2.90 per share. Excluding transaction costs, the total purchase price is NZ\$82.0 million (approximately US \$61.4 million).

"Software of Excellence has been delivering innovative solutions to Dental professionals since 1988," said Stanley M. Bergman, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Henry Schein. "Software of Excellence's clinical and practice management software will be an important addition to Henry Schein, supporting our objective to be a full service provider to our customers. On behalf of Team Schein, we are very happy to welcome CEO Brian Weatherly and his management team to Henry Schein."

"We look forward to joining Team Schein, an established leader in providing innovative solutions to the dental community," said Brian Weatherly, Chief Executive Officer of Software of Excellence. "Together we will be able to offer integrated solutions to our dental customers, enabling them to spend more time delivering quality care to their patients."

### **About Henry Schein**

Henry Schein, a Fortune 500(R) company, is recognized for its excellent customer service and highly competitive prices. The Company's four business groups - Dental, Medical, International and Technology - serve more than 500,000 customers worldwide, including dental practitioners and laboratories, physician practices and animal health clinics, as well as government and other institutions. The Company operates through a centralized and automated distribution network, which provides customers in more than 200 countries with a comprehensive selection of more than 85,000 national and Henry Schein private-brand products in stock, as well as more than 100,000 additional products available as special-order items.

Henry Schein also offers a wide range of innovative value-added practice solutions for healthcare professionals, such as ArubA(R), the Company's electronic catalog and ordering system. Its leading practice-management software solutions have been installed in more than 50,000 practices, including DENTRIX(R) and Easy Dental(R) for dental practices, MicroMD(R) for physician practices, and AVImark(R) for animal health clinics. Headquartered in Melville, N.Y., Henry Schein employs nearly 12,000 people and has operations in 19 countries. The Company's net sales reached a record \$5.05 billion in 2006. For more information, visit the Henry Schein Web site at [www.henryschein.com](http://www.henryschein.com).