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## **COVID-19 (Coronavirus): Company statement**

Dear Business Partner,

As the coronavirus pandemic is spreading around the world, we at ART hope that all employees at your organization, their families and friends stay healthy and safe. This letter is to inform you about the general actions taken at ART to maximize our serviceability and minimize the risk of contamination given these challenging circumstances.

We follow the situation around the Corona Virus closely through updates of our government and the National (RIVM), European (ECDC) and Worldwide (WHO) health organizations. Our main goal is to keep our employees, customers and suppliers healthy; this is the base for all actions taken. Besides that, we strongly aim to adhere to contracts and agreements we committed to and we continue our daily business as usual.

In order to secure our deliveries to our customers we have taken following internal actions:

- All production departments are operational, staff is instructed appropriately in order to work safely and to deal with the situation in the best way possible;
- All staff that is able to work from home, does so. They are in contact with our internal organization, customers and suppliers;
- Daily consultation with our management in order to take appropriate actions;
- Monitor supply chain on a daily basis;
- Inform customers as accurate and complete as possible.

In addition, we are in close contact with our suppliers to identify any impact that may affect our supply chain. Until today no impact on our supply chain caused by the Corona Virus is identified. Concerning contact with external relations and business trips, our management follows the advice of the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

We are aware of this force majeure situation we are all in; it is our duty to cope with it. We emphasize that the safety of all is highest priority in all decision we have to take and will do so to the best of our abilities. Therefore it is essential that you keep us informed as accurate as possible for us to take appropriate actions.

Thank you for your continuous support and understanding. We wish you all strength and health in order to withstand the disruption of daily life.

Yours sincerely,

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*Chief Executive Officer*