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Report of Foreign issuer

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Akzo Nobel N.V. (Translation of registrant s name into English)

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Akzo Nobel intends to delist from NASDAQ

Arnhem, the Netherlands, July 24, 2007 Akzo Nobel announced today that it has decided to apply for deregistration and termination of its reporting obligations under the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the delisting of its American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) from the NASDAQ stock exchange.

Akzo Nobel will shortly provide written notice to the NASDAQ of its intent to delist. The company intends to file a Form 25 with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and NASDAQ on or about August 15, 2007 to effect the delisting. The delisting is expected to be effective 10 days after this filing.

Akzo Nobel intends to file a Form 15F with the SEC to deregister before the end of August. The deregistration becomes effective 90 days after the filing, unless the Form 15F is earlier withdrawn by the company or denied by the SEC.

Akzo Nobel intends to maintain its ADR facility with Deutsche Bank as a Level 1 program. This means that Akzo Nobel's ADRs will be traded on the over-the-counter market known as International OTCQX. Akzo Nobel's common shares will continue to be traded on Euronext Amsterdam.

Akzo Nobel s CFO Rob Frohn commented: "Some years ago Akzo Nobel was a front runner in the process of simplifying its European listings on stock exchanges. With today s global capital markets functioning well, and in light of changed U.S. legislation regarding delisting, we now want to finalize this process, which will result in a single listing in Amsterdam. With a simplified structure in place we expect to generate cost savings of around EUR 7 million per annum.

Mr. Frohn added: We will continue to provide a high standard of corporate governance, information and disclosure in line with the standard the company set itself during 2006 and to maintain the high standards required by the Dutch governance code and regulatory requirements .

Akzo Nobel will continue to publish its Annual Report, Accounts and communications in accordance with Exchange Act Rule 12g3-2 (b) on its corporate website <u>www.akzonobel.com</u>.

Akzo Nobel reserves the right to delay or withdraw the filings of the Forms 15F and 25 for any reason prior to their effectiveness.

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Note to editors

Akzo Nobel is a Fortune Global 500 company and is listed on both the Euronext Amsterdam and NASDAQ stock exchanges. It is also included on the Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes and FTSE4Good Index. Based in the Netherlands, we are a multicultural organization serving customers throughout the world with coatings, chemicals and human and animal healthcare products. We employ around 62,000 people and conduct our activities in these four segments, with operating subsidiaries in more than 80 countries. Consolidated revenues for 2006 totaled EUR 13.7 billion. The financial results for the third quarter will be published on October, 23, 2007.

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* Pursuant to the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act 1995.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf of the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

Akzo Nobel N.V.

Name R.J. Frohn : Title : Chief Financial Officer Name J.J.M. Derckx : Title : Director External Reporting

Dated : July 24, 2007