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POELLATH advises Freihoff Group on the sale to EMK Capital-backed Garda Group

Garda Group, backed by EMK Capital, has acquired Freihoff Group (“Freihoff”).

Founded 25 years ago, Freihoff has since become the leading independent system integrator for electronic security solutions in Germany. Today, the company implements complex security solutions for renowned, major customers such as DHL, Bayer, Telekom and RWE, as well as numerous medium-sized customers and private individuals.

EMK is a successful European private equity investor with extensive experience in the security market. The Garda Group, the largest provider of security solutions in Northern Europe, has been part of EMK’s portfolio since the beginning of 2023. Together with Freihoff, they plan to establish the leading European platform for security solutions, with Freihoff and the current management team leading the consolidation in German-speaking countries.

POELLATH provided comprehensive legal and tax advice to the shareholders of the Freihoff Group with the following team:

- Christian Tönies (partner, co-lead, M&A, private equity, Munich)
- Markus Döllner (counsel, co-lead, M&A, private equity, Munich)
- Dr. Sebastian Gerlinger (partner, M&A, private equity, Munich)
- Dr. Nico Fischer (partner, tax, Munich)
- Daniel Wiedmann (associated partner, anti-trust law, Frankfurt)
- Christine Funk (counsel, IP/IT, Frankfurt)
- Andreas Gesell (associate, tax, Munich)
- Ludwig Niller (associate, M&A, private equity, Munich)

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