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Herna Verhagen, CEO of PostNL: \hat{a} œUnderlying cash operating income increased to \hat{a} ,-41 million in Q2 and we confirm our outlook for 2019. In line with our dividend policy and taking into account our financial results in HY 2019, we have set the interim dividend for 2019 at \hat{a} ,-0.08 per share. In the first half of 2019, 51% of our revenue came from activities related to e-commerce.

Executing our strategy to focus on our core markets in the Benelux region, we made good progress with the divestment processes of Nexive and Postcon. This morning we announced that we have reached agreement to sell the activities of Postcon. We expect to complete the transaction before year-end 2019.

We are currently awaiting the ACM's final

decision on the intended consolidation by combining the postal networks of PostNL and Sandd. If ACM does not grant a licence for consolidation, the parties intend to ask the State Secretary for Economic Affairs for approval based on material grounds of general importance as defined in Article 47 of Dutch competition law.”

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