

## **CURRENT REPORT No. 15/08**

### **Date of Report:**

13 March 2008

### **Re:**

Execution of Strategic Cooperation Agreement between Lewiatan Holding and Emperia Holding SA.

### **Legal Basis:**

Article 56(1)(2) of the Act on Public Offering, Conditions Governing the Introduction of Financial Instruments to Organised Trading, and Public Companies of 29 July 2005.

### **Update:**

On 13 March 2008, the Management Boards of Lewiatan Holding and Emperia Holding SA concluded in Włocławek a Strategic Cooperation Agreement.

The main objective of Lewiatan Holding and Emperia Holding as set forth in the Agreement is to provide the closest possible collaboration between Lewiatan's Polish Retail Chain (*Polska Sieć Handlowa Lewiatan*) and Emperia's Retail Organisation (*Organizacja Handlowa Emperia*), and to eventually effect a merger between the organisations.

Lewiatan Holding and Emperia Holding intend to retain the autonomy and identity of Lewiatan's Polish Retail Chain and of the other retail chains currently operating as part of Emperia's Retail Organisation.

Both parties will seek to ensure stable arm's length collaboration, implement uniform modern IT solutions and ensure full sharing of operational and marketing expertise with a view to reducing costs and improving performance.

Lewiatan's Polish Retail Chain comprises 2,000 franchise retail outlets, pursuing its policies through its head office, Związek Kupców i Producentów Lewiatan'94 Holding S.A. in Wrocław, and regional Operational Companies.