Coty and Younique to Part and Focus on the Development of Their Respective Strengths Wednesday, August 28, 2019 10:30:00 AM (GMT)

Coty (NYSE:COTY) and Younique today announced a mutual decision to terminate their partnership. Given the different nature of the companies' business models and the need for a strong and specific focus to successfully improve fundamentals, Coty and Younique have agreed to part and focus on their respective strengths. Coty has recently announced a comprehensive roadmap to improve performance and unlock significant value in its core business.

Coty will sell its controlling stake to Younique's original founders upon regulatory clearance, as soon as practicable. The conditions of the exit will not be made public, however no further adjustment to Coty intangible asset base is expected as a result of this transaction.

Derek Maxfield, CEO, Younique declared, "I am grateful for the collaboration and knowledge we have gained from our partnership with Coty. Younique is excited to return to our entrepreneurial roots armed with the knowledge and insights gained from the partnership experience. We remain focused on serving our Presenters with innovative products and leading-edge digital selling tools that make Younique the easiest way to start and run a direct sales business."

Pierre Laubies, CEO, Coty, said, "We wish Derek and the teams all the best for Younique's next chapter. Our presence in Younique for the past few years has been an accelerator of our digital strategy, which has today become one of Coty's strengths. We now need to focus on our turnaround plan and the significant opportunities which lie in our Luxury, Consumer and Professional businesses."

About Coty Inc.

Coty is one of the world's largest beauty companies with an iconic portfolio of brands across fragrance, color cosmetics, hair color and styling, and skin and body care. Coty is the global leader in fragrance, a strong number two in professional hair color & styling, and number three in color cosmetics. Coty's products are sold in over 150 countries around the world. Coty and its brands are committed to a range of social causes as well as seeking to minimize its impact on the environment. For additional information about Coty Inc., please visit www.coty.com.

Forward Looking Statements

Certain statements in this communication are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements reflect Coty's current views with respect to, among other things, the timing, terms and conditions of the exit transaction and the expected impact on Coty's intangible asset base is expected as a result of the transaction. These forward-looking statements are generally identified by words or phrases, such as "anticipate", "are going to", "estimate", "plan", "project", "expect", "believe", "intend", "foresee", "forecast", "will", "may", "should", "outlook", "continue", "temporary", "target", "aim", "potential", "goal" and similar words or phrases. These statements are based on certain assumptions and estimates that Coty considers reasonable, but are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond Coty's control, which could cause actual events or results (including Coty's financial condition, results of operations, cash flows and prospects) to differ materially from such statements, including risks and uncertainties relating to:

- Coty's ability to successfully implement its multi-year Turnaround Plan, including its management headquarters relocation and management realignment, and to develop and achieve its global business strategies, compete effectively in the beauty industry and achieve the benefits contemplated by its strategic initiatives within the expected time frame or at all;
- Coty's ability to anticipate, gauge and respond to market trends and consumer preferences, which
 may change rapidly, and the market acceptance of new products, including any relaunched or
 rebranded products and the anticipated costs and discounting associated with such relaunches and
 rebrands, and consumer receptiveness to its current and future marketing philosophy and consumer
 engagement activities (including digital marketing and media);
- use of estimates and assumptions in preparing Coty's financial statements, including with regard to revenue recognition, stock compensation expense, income taxes (including the expected timing and

amount of the release of any tax valuation allowance), the assessment of goodwill, other intangible and long-lived assets for impairments, the market value of inventory, pension expense, the fair value of redeemable noncontrolling interests and the fair value of acquired assets and liabilities associated with acquisitions;

- the impact of any future impairments;
- managerial, transformational, operational, regulatory, legal and financial risks, including diversion of management attention to and management of cash flows, expenses and costs associated with the Turnaround Plan and future strategic initiatives;
- future acquisitions and the integration thereof with Coty's business, operations, systems, financial data and culture and the ability to realize synergies, avoid future supply chain and other business disruptions, reduce costs (including through its cash efficiency initiatives) and realize other potential efficiencies and benefits (including through Coty's restructuring initiatives) at the levels and at the costs and within the time frames contemplated or at all;
- increased competition, consolidation among retailers, shifts in consumers' preferred distribution and
 marketing channels (including to digital and luxury channels), distribution and shelf-space resets or
 reductions, compression of go-to-market cycles, changes in product and marketing requirements by
 retailers, reductions in retailer inventory levels and order lead-times or changes in purchasing
 patterns, and other changes in the retail, e-commerce and wholesale environment in which Coty does
 business and sells its products and its ability to respond to such changes;
- Coty and its brand business partners' and licensors' abilities to obtain, maintain and protect the intellectual property used in its and their respective businesses, protect our and their respective reputations (including those of its and their executives or influencers) and public goodwill, and defend claims by third parties for infringement of intellectual property rights;
- any change to Coty's capital allocation and/or cash management priorities, including any change in its dividend reinvestment program and policy;
- any unanticipated problems, liabilities or integration or other challenges associated with a past or future acquired business which could result in increased risk or new, unanticipated or unknown liabilities, including with respect to environmental, competition and other regulatory, compliance or legal matters;
- Coty's international operations and joint ventures, including enforceability and effectiveness of its joint venture agreements and reputational, compliance, regulatory, economic and foreign political risks, including difficulties and costs associated with maintaining compliance with a broad variety of complex local and international regulations;
- Coty's dependence on certain licenses (especially in its Luxury division) and its ability to renew expiring licenses on favorable terms;
- Coty's dependence on entities performing outsourced functions, including outsourcing of distribution functions, and third-party manufacturers, logistics and supply-chain suppliers and other suppliers, including third party software providers:
- administrative, development and other difficulties in meeting the expected timing of market expansions, product launches and marketing efforts;
- global political and/or economic uncertainties, disruptions or major regulatory or policy changes, and/or the enforcement thereof that affect Coty's business, financial performance, operations or its products, including the impact of Brexit, the current U.S. administration, changes in the U.S. tax code, and recent changes and future changes in tariffs, retaliatory or trade protection measures, trade policies and other international trade regulations in the U.S., the European Union and Asia and in other regions where Coty operates;
- currency exchange rate volatility and currency devaluation;
- the number, type, outcomes (by judgment, order or settlement) and costs of any current or future legal, compliance, tax, regulatory or administrative proceedings, investigations and/or litigation, including litigation relating to the tender offer by Cottage Holdco B.V. (the "Cottage Tender Offer");
- Coty's ability to manage seasonal factors and other variability and to anticipate future business trends and needs;
- disruptions in operations, sales and in other areas, including due to disruptions in Coty's supply chain, restructurings and other business alignment activities, the move of Coty's headquarters to Amsterdam, manufacturing or information technology systems, labor disputes, extreme weather and natural disasters, and the impact of such disruptions on Coty's ability to generate profits, stabilize or grow revenues or cash flows, comply with its contractual obligations and accurately forecast demand and supply needs and/or future results;
- restrictions imposed on Coty through its license agreements, credit facilities and senior unsecured bonds, or other material contracts, Coty's ability to generate cash flow to repay, refinance or

- recapitalize debt and otherwise comply with its debt instruments, and changes in the manner in which Coty finances its debt and future capital needs;
- increasing dependency on information technology and Coty's ability to protect against service
 interruptions, data corruption, cyber-based attacks or network security breaches, costs and timing of
 implementation and effectiveness of any upgrades or other changes to information technology
 systems, and the cost of compliance or its failure to comply with any privacy or data security laws
 (including the European Union General Data Protection Regulation (the "GDPR") and the California
 Consumer Privacy Act) or to protect against theft of customer, employee and corporate sensitive
 information;
- Coty's ability to attract and retain key personnel and the impact of senior management transitions and organizational structure changes, including the co-location of key business leaders and functions in Amsterdam:
- the distribution and sale by third parties of counterfeit and/or gray market versions of the Coty's products; the impact of the Cottage Tender Offer and of Coty's Turnaround Plan on its relationships with key customers and suppliers and certain material contracts;
- Coty's relationship with Cottage Holdco B.V., as our majority stockholder, and its affiliates, and any related conflicts of interest or litigation;
- future sales of a significant number of shares by Coty's majority stockholder or contractually by certain commercial banks on behalf of Coty's majority stockholder, as may be required to satisfy obligations under such majority stockholder's credit agreement, or the perception that such sales could occur; and
- other factors described elsewhere in this document and in documents that Coty files with the SEC from time to time.

When used herein, the term "includes" and "including" means, unless the context otherwise indicates, including without limitation. More information about potential risks and uncertainties that could affect Coty's business and financial results is included under the heading "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in Coty's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2019 and other periodic reports Coty has filed and may file with the SEC from time to time.

All forward-looking statements made in this release are qualified by these cautionary statements. These forward-looking statements are made only as of the date of this release, and Coty does not undertake any obligation, other than as may be required by law, to update or revise any forward-looking or cautionary statements to reflect changes in assumptions, the occurrence of events, unanticipated or otherwise, or changes in future operating results over time or otherwise.

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