PRESS RELEASE

Statement regarding the indictment in connection with the tender for the cleaning services project at the Santobono-Pausilipon Public Health Agency

Zola Predosa (Bologna), December 29, 2017 – **Manutencoop Facility Management S.p.A.** (the "**Company**" or "**MFM**") confirms, as reported on December 29, 2017, by different news agencies, that on December 28, 2017 the Judge for Preliminary Hearing at the Court of Naples has ordered the indictment in preparation for trial of the Company and two employees in connection with the tender for the cleaning services project at the Santobono-Pausilipon Public Health Agency in Naples.

The Company denies any involvement in the alleged crimes and clarifies that:

- such offences are exclusively based on third parties' statements, in particular on Mr. Pietro Coci's, evidently made with the sole purpose of speciously involving MFM and its employees who, on the contrary, have always behaved in accordance with the law;
- the Company's CEO, Mr. Aldo Chiarini, has never been involved in the criminal investigation, as erroneously reported by certain newspapers;
- in June 2017, the Judge for Preliminary Investigations at the Court of Naples rejected the temporary injunction requested by the Naples Public Prosecutor pursuant to LD 231/2001, finding that the conditions for such injunction were not satisfied;
- Mr. Pietro Coci has already retracted his accusatory testimony against MFM. Such retraction cleared two other senior managers initially investigated from any involvement in the allegations. In particular, in April 2017, the judge, when revoking precautionary measures initially imposed to the Sales Manager at that time, Mr. Danilo Bernardi, stated that "the main circumstantial evidence was Mr. Pietro Coci's testimony" and that "Mr. Pietro Coci's declarations have been subsequently clarified and partially amended regarding Mr. Bernardi's role, as there was no evidence of Mr. Bernardi's consent to the payment of public officials neither at the moment of the entry into the bribery agreement nor afterwards";
- the two employees indicted were not among the Company's top management at the relevant time and, moreover, one of the two employees, i.e. the Supervisor of the commercial development of the Centre/South, left the Company long before the alleged crimes occurred.

In light of the above, MFM, is sure of the lawfulness of its own conduct and of the conduct of the employees implicated in the allegations, with full confidence in the Court. The Company is confident that it will be exonerated during the course of the proceeding because of the groundless allegations. The first hearing is scheduled on March 1, 2018.

Manutencoop Facility Management S.p.A.

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support to the sanitary activity provided through the controlled company Servizi Ospedalieri S.p.A. MFM has its management centre in Zola Predosa (Bologna), and offices distributed in the national territory and counts more than 16,000 employees in all Italy.

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