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## **Numis Corporation Plc ("Numis")**

## **EBT** purchase

The Board of Numis announces that, on 8 December 2004, the Numis Employee Share Trust ("EBT" or "the Trust") purchased 47,500 (0.24%) Numis shares at price of 715p per share.

## Directors' dealings

The Board of Numis also announces that, on 8 December 2004, Intercapital Private Group Limited ("IPGL") purchased 47,500 (0.24%) Numis shares at 715p per share as follows:

Name	Shares acquired	% of shares in issue	Total shares now held	% of shares in issue
IPGL	47,500	0.24	1,875,500	9.57

Michael Spencer (non-executive Chairman of Numis) is Chairman of IPGL. Michael Spencer, together with his wife, owns approximately 46.7 per cent of IPGL's issued share capital. Michael Spencer is deemed under the Companies Act 1985 to be interested in the entire issued share capital of IPGL.

The Board also announces that, on 8 December 2004, Duncan Sweetland (an executive director) disposed of 35,000 (0.18%) Numis shares at 715p per share (as set out below) to facilitate option arrangements.

Name	Shares	% of shares in	Total shares	% of shares
	disposed	issue	now held	in issue
Duncan	35,000	0.18	38,703	0.20
Sweetland				

The Board of Numis also announces that, on 8 December 2004, it approved the issue and allotment of 106,600 (0.54%) Numis shares to the Trust at an average price of 217.72p per share.

This follows the surrender of options over 106,600 Numis shares, by Duncan Sweetland under the Numis Unapproved Executive Share Option Scheme and the grant of options over 106,600 Numis shares held by the Trust on the same terms, as follow:

Number of options over ordinary shares in Numis	Subscription price/p	Latest exercise date
36,600	107.5p	18 October 2006
40,000	292.5p	28 March 2010
30,000	252.5p	9 May 2010

Following this issue and allotment of Numis shares and the purchase of Numis shares by the Trust as set out in the first paragraph of this announcement the Trust holds 1,139,397 Numis shares (5.81%).

The new Numis shares will rank pari passu with all existing ordinary shares. Application will be made for admission of the new Numis shares to trading on the Alternative Investment Market of the London Stock Exchange and dealings are expected to commence on 15 December 2004.

The Numis shares referred to above are Numis' ordinary shares of 25p per share and the total number of shares in issue following the above is 19,606,653.

9 December 2004

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