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**Numis Corporation Plc (“Numis”)**

The Board of Numis announces that, today, it approved the issue and allotment of 81,800 (0.42%) new ordinary shares in Numis to the Numis Employee Share Trust (“the Trust”) at an average price of 256.5p per ordinary share.

This follows the surrender of options over 81,800 ordinary shares in Numis under the Numis Unapproved Executive Share Option Scheme and the grant of options over 81,800 ordinary shares in Numis held by the Trust on the same terms, as follow:

Number of options over ordinary shares in Numis	Subscription price/p	Latest exercise date
11,800	107.50p	18 October 2006
60,000	292.50p	28 March 2010
10,000	216.50p	15 August 2011

The new ordinary shares in Numis will rank pari passu with all existing ordinary shares. Application will be made for admission of the new ordinary shares to trading on the Alternative Investment Market of the London Stock Exchange and dealings are expected to commence on 20 August 2004.

The ordinary shares referred to are Numis’ ordinary shares of 25p per share and the total number of shares in issue following the above is 19,500,053.

16 August 2004

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