

RENAL CARE GROUP INC

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RENAL CARE GROUP, INC.

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Renal Care Group and its executive officers and directors may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from Renal Care Group's shareholders with respect to the proposed merger. Fresenius Medical Care AG may also be deemed a participant in such solicitation. Information regarding Renal Care Group's executive officers and directors is available in Renal Care Group's proxy statement, dated April 28, 2005, for its 2005 annual meeting of shareholders. Information regarding any interests that Renal Care Group's executive officers and directors may have in the transaction with Fresenius Medical Care AG will be set forth in the proxy statement that Renal Care Group intends to file with the SEC in connection with the proposed merger.

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