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PRESS RELEASE

Approval of the supplement and published Prospectus and supplement of the rights offering of Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena

Siena, 22 May 2015 – With respect to the information published on 20 and 21 May 2015, Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena S.p.A. (“**BMPS**”) announces that today Consob approved the supplement to the Prospectus that has been prepared in compliance with articles 94, paragraph 7, and 113, paragraph 2, of D.Lgs. No. 58/1998, to update the disclosure provided in the Prospectus with, among others, the final terms of the Offering as per the BMPS Board of Directors’ resolution of 21 May 2015.

The Italian Prospectus and the supplement have been made available within the terms provided for by law at the BMPS’s Registered office in Siena Piazza Salimbeni n. 3, and will also be published on the Bank’s website www.mps.it.

According to the Offering timetable, rights for the subscription of new BMPS shares are exercisable between 25 May 2015 and 12 June 2015 inclusive, failing which such rights will expire without value. Rights can be traded on the MTA between 25 May 2015 and 8 June 2015 inclusive.

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