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Leclanché to present lithium ion batteries at eCarTec fair

Yverdon-les-Bains, 13 October 2009 – Leclanché SA is presenting its product and service range in the field of lithium ion batteries at eCarTec in Munich from October 13th to 15th, 2009.

On the stand it will be demonstrated how current and future fields of application for lithium ion batteries can be put to use in the sectors of industry, hybrid diesel, smart grid and automobiles. The focus is on Leclanché's key technology, the exclusively licensed Leclanché Separator, which enables the automated production of battery cells with above-average safety features. In addition, customers will be informed about the integration of cells and about battery management systems. A further focus at the stand is on the production of lithium ion cells.

“Our target is to raise production by 2011 from 600,000 to 800,000 cells per annum, in order to position ourselves for the steadily growing demand for large-size high performance lithium ion cells,” says Pierre Blanc, Chief Technology Officer at Leclanché. The company is currently carrying out a capital increase to finance further expansion of production machinery. By the end of this year production capacity will already have been increased to 100,000 cells a year.

Leclanché also celebrates its centenary this year. The battery manufacturer with a long and rich tradition has consistently repositioned itself in past years to focus on future business with large-size lithium ion batteries and is among the leading developers and manufacturers in Europe.

The eCarTec is the first international fair for electrical mobility and is being held at the New Munich Trade Fair Centre. The Leclanché stand is located in Hall C3/Stand 426. Those interested can download a free admission ticket at www.leclanche.com.

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About Leclanché

Leclanché is a leading manufacturer in Europe of large-size lithium ion batteries. Through a unique, licensed separator technology, the core element of lithium ion batteries, Leclanché is capable of manufacturing cells with above-average safety features in an automated production process. The company's core markets are industries that make the highest demands on energy storage systems, e.g. the aerospace industry, the defence sector and medical technology. Leclanché is consistently developing its business towards future markets for lithium ion batteries. They include electric vehicles, large hybrid diesel engines and energy storage systems that enable better utilisation of the power supply system.

Leclanché was founded in 1909 in Yverdon-les-Bains. Through the integration of a spin-off from the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft in 2006 the company developed from being a traditional battery manufacturer to becoming a leading developer and manufacturer of lithium ion batteries in Europe.

Leclanché currently employs 70 staff and recorded CHF 13 million revenue in 2008. The company is headquartered in Yverdon-les-Bains (Switzerland) and has factories located in Willstätt und Itzehöhe (Germany). Leclanché is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (LECN).

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