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General Assembly approves Capital Increase

- Leclanché will increase capital by up to 2,117,500 new registered shares
- Proceeds to fund expansion of large-format lithium ion cell production capacity to up to two million cells per year

Yverdon-les-Bains, 22 October 2010 – Leclanché will issue up to 2,117,500 new registered shares. The new shares will be issued from the company's existing authorised share capital, as well as by way of an ordinary capital increase, which has been approved by the General Assembly today.

Leclanché intends to use the gross proceeds of the offering primarily to fund the expansion of its existing production capacity in Willstätt by a large-scale industrial manufacturing line for large-format lithium ion cells with a capacity of up to two million cells per year, which is expected to be operational within the first half of 2012. The company currently has a production capacity of up to 100,000 large-format lithium ion cells per year. Delivery to ten clients has already begun.

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About Leclanché

Leclanché is a leading manufacturer in Europe of large format lithium ion cells. Through a unique, licensed separator technology, the core element of lithium ion cells, 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 cells. 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 cells in Europe. Leclanché currently employs 94 staff and recorded CHF 16.33 million revenue in 2009. The company is headquartered in Yverdon-les-Bains (Switzerland) and has a factory located in Willstätt (Germany). Leclanché is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (LECN).

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