

PRESS RELEASE

Bureau Veritas completes three acquisitions in fast-growing market segments

Neuilly-sur-Seine, January 11th, 2010 - Bureau Veritas is pleased to announce three acquisitions in Brazil, China and France, totalling approximately €30 million of annual revenues in 2010:

- Auto Reg Group (vehicle claim inspections in Brazil)
- NS Technology (testing of electrical and electronic equipment in China)
- Thémis-Ingénierie (nuclear technical assistance in France)

Frank Piedelièvre, Bureau Veritas' Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated: "We are delighted to complete these acquisitions that reinforce our presence in fast-growing geographies and market segments, and to welcome their 800 employees and managers who have a strong expertise and market recognition in their respective fields".

Auto Reg Group

Founded in 1995 and headquartered in São Paulo, Auto Reg is the leader in Brazil for vehicle insurance damage inspections, performing technical inspections and providing statistics to the largest insurance companies in Brazil. It has a large network of 26 offices and 620 staff across Brazil. It reported revenues of approximately €23 million in 2010.

Auto Reg's principals are experts in this market segment and have a longstanding experience with the largest Brazilian insurance companies. They will be part of Bureau Veritas' management team in Brazil and thereby ensure business continuity.

This acquisition is part of Bureau Veritas' strategic plan for Latin America and represents an important milestone in the development of technical services for the insurance market in Brazil, with a focus on the automotive business. Following this acquisition, Bureau Veritas' headcount in Brazil reaches 3,000 employees.

NS Technology

NS Technology provides analytical testing and certification services for electrical and electronic equipment to a large portfolio of local and international manufacturers, traders and purchasers. Its laboratory base in Dongguan (Guangdong province) is equipped with advanced and top-grade equipment, notably several electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) chambers. NS Technology has 150 employees and generated around €4 million in revenues in 2010.

This acquisition reinforces Bureau Veritas EMC footprint in Greater China and its position on the electronic segment. Following this acquisition, Bureau Veritas' headcount in China reaches 7,700 employees.



Thémis-Ingénierie

The nuclear division of Thémis-Ingénierie acquired by Bureau Veritas offers primarily risk management auditing services (waste management, transportation of dangerous substances, facilities dismantling operations, security of installations, safety studies). It generated about €2 million of revenues in 2010 and employs 17 engineers.

This acquisition is part of Bureau Veritas' growth initiative in the nuclear industry.

Bureau Veritas

Bureau Veritas is a global leader in conformity assessment and certification services. Created in 1828, the Group has around 48,000 employees in 1,000 offices and 330 laboratories located in 140 countries.

Bureau Veritas helps its clients to improve their performances by offering innovative services and solutions in order to ensure that their assets, products, infrastructures, and processes meet standards and regulations in terms of quality, health and safety, environmental protection, and social responsibility.

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