

**Legrand pursues expansion in emerging countries,
purchasing Mexico's Macse**

- **Legrand takes control of Macse, Mexico's leading producer of metal cable trays**
- **Legrand thus strengthens its presence in Mexico, a high-growth market where it is already a leading player in wiring devices and energy distribution**

Pursuing an active strategy of self-financed business development, Legrand today announced its acquisition of Macse, Mexico's leading producer of metal cable trays, subject to the approval of the competent authorities.

Backed by a very well-known brand and a high-quality image, Macse reported 2006 sales of close to €10 million. The acquisition rounds out Legrand's network in Mexico, a rapidly expanding market where sales have risen 15% at constant structure and exchange rates since the beginning of the year, and where the group already ranks first in wiring devices and second in modular circuit-breakers.

This move follows a series of acquisitions since the beginning of the year, including HPM, no. 2 in wiring devices in Australia; UStec, an American company specializing in residential structured cabling; and Kontaktor, Russia's no. 1 in high-current circuit-breakers. Together the four companies are expected to generate annual sales of over €170 million in 2007.

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Key dates

- **2007 nine-month results : November 8, 2007**
- 2007 annual results: February 7, 2008
- 2008 first-quarter results: May 7, 2008
- General Meeting of Shareholders: May 22, 2008

ABOUT LEGRAND

Legrand (www.legrandelectric.com) is the world specialist in products and systems for electrical installations and information networks, offering solutions for use in residential, commercial and industrial buildings. Operating in over 60 countries with sales of €3.7 billion in 2006, it employs about 33,000 people and its catalogues list more than 130,000 products. At Legrand, innovation drives growth: with nearly 5% of sales invested in R&D every year, the group brings out a steady stream of new, high added-value products.

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