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# Bureau Veritas completes first acquisition in India and expands its services to conformity assessment of infrastructure

**Neuilly-sur-Seine, France, August 8, 2011** – Bureau Veritas is pleased to announce the acquisition of Civil-Aid Technoclinic Pty Ltd, an Indian company specialised in conformity assessment services of public and industrial infrastructure.

Founded in 1998, Civil-Aid offers a full range of quality assurance and technical control services, from design to construction and including design review, site inspection and testing of building materials. Based in Bangalore, Civil-Aid has a leadership position in southern India, where it operates two laboratories and on-site mobile testing capacities. The company has 235 employees and generated revenue of €3.4 million in 2010.

Bureau Veritas is already a leading player in systems certification, industry inspection and commodities testing in India. This first acquisition in the country rounds out the current portfolio of services and positions the Group in the booming infrastructure market. In addition, quality control of construction is increasingly required by private operators and public authorities.

The acquisition means Bureau Veritas now employs 3,550 staff in India, based in more than 50 locations.

#### About Bureau Veritas

Bureau Veritas is a world leader in conformity assessment and certification services. Created in 1828, the Group has more than 50,000 employees in 930 offices and 330 laboratories located in 140 countries. Bureau Veritas helps its clients to improve their performances by offering services and innovative solutions in order to ensure that their assets, products, infrastructure and processes meet standards and regulations in terms of quality, health and safety, environmental protection and social responsibility.

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