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Contract signed for the acquisition of Kühni Ltd

Sulzer Chemtech to Strengthen Process Technology Business

Sulzer has signed an agreement for the acquisition of the privately owned Kühni Ltd, Allschwil, Switzerland, a specialist for thermal separation processes. Kühni achieved sales of CHF 37 million in 2008 and employs over 80 people.

As an expert in thermal, diffusional and membrane separation technology for the separation and purification of aqueous and organic mixtures, Kühni provides process engineering services, designs, manufactures and supplies process equipment and turn-key modular plants to the process industry with a focus on the pharmaceutical and fine chemical industry. Located in Allschwil/Basel, Switzerland, Kühni is also present in the USA and active in Asia. The group employs over 80 people and reported consolidated sales of CHF 37 million in 2008. Closing is expected to take place in the second quarter of 2009, after the fulfillment of all conditions of the transaction.

Sulzer Chemtech will establish a new process technology unit by combining its current offering of process solutions for columns, membranes and crystallization with the activities of Kühni. This combination will create synergies and will in particular strengthen Kühni's activities in Asia. The existing location of Kühni in Allschwil will become the center of excellence for process technology. All Kühni staff including the management team will be retained after the acquisition. The transaction resolves the succession of the present CEO and owner and ensures a smooth transition and continuing success.

Sulzer Chemtech has a leading position in the fields of separation columns, static mixing, as well as two-component mixing and dispensing systems. With locations for sales, engineering, production and customer service, Sulzer Chemtech maintains a worldwide presence for its clients in the oil and gas, hydrocarbon processing and other industrial markets.

Sulzer was founded in 1834 in Winterthur, Switzerland, and today is active in machinery and equipment manufacturing and surface engineering at over 120 locations worldwide. The divisions are global leaders in their respective customer segments, which include the oil and gas, hydrocarbon processing, power generation, pulp and paper, aviation and automotive industries. www.sulzer.com

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