



PRIMA INDUSTRIE S.P.A.

ITALIAN STOCK EXCHANGE - STAR segment

*Collegno (TO), December 15<sup>th</sup> 2011* - Prima Industrie S.p.A. informs that, following the sudden departure of Mr. Riccardo Formica, Chairman of the Statutory Auditors Board of the company, pursuant to article 28 in the company by-laws, Mr. Franco Nada will succeed as Chairman, being appointed as Deputy Statutory Auditor within the list presented by the minority shareholders during the Shareholders' Meeting held on April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Pursuant to article 2401 in civil code, Mr. Nada will stay in office until the next Shareholders' meeting.

Prima Industrie takes part in the sadness of the family of Mr. Riccardo Formica, Chairman of the Statutory Auditors Board of the company since the year 1995.

PRIMA INDUSTRIE heads a leading Group in developing, manufacturing and marketing of laser systems for industrial applications, sheet metal processing machinery, as well as industrial electronics and laser technologies. The parent company Prima Industrie S.p.A. is listed on the Italian Stock Exchange since 1999 (MTA - STAR segment). With over 30 years of experience the Group can count on over 10,000 machines installed in more than 60 countries worldwide and is among the main worldwide manufacturers in its own reference market.

The Group has about 1400 direct employees (besides about 230 employees in the Chinese JVs) and manufacturing sites in **Italy** (PRIMA INDUSTRIE S.p.A, PRIMA ELECTRO S.p.A, FINN-POWER Italia Srl), **Finland** (FINN-POWER Oy), **USA** (PRIMA ELECTRO North America Llc, PRIMA POWER LASERDYNE Llc.) and **China** (Shanghai Unity Prima Ltd.) as well as a direct commercial and after-sales presence in France, Spain, Germany, the UK, Belgium, Poland, Russia, the USA, Canada, China, the UAE, Brazil and India.

The Prima Industrie Group is structured on 2 Business Units:

**Laser and sheet metal processing machines (Prima Power):** including design, manufacturing and marketing of:

- Laser machines for cutting, welding and drilling of 3D and 2D components.
- Machines for sheet metal treatment by means of mechanical tools (punching machines, combined punching/shearing systems, combined punching/laser cutting systems, panel benders and automation systems).

**Industrial electronics and laser technologies (Prima Electro):** including development, manufacturing and marketing of power and control electronics, and of high-power laser sources for industrial applications, destined both to the Group machines and to third parties.

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