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Agreement signed for acquisition

of two waste treatment and recovery companies

By this transaction Actelios will improve its environmental service to stakeholders, strengthening its presence in waste-to-energy and contributing to consolidated revenue with over 12 million euro (up about 13%)

Milan, 29 March 2010 - **Actelios SpA signed the contracts for the purchase of all quotas of Esposito Servizi Ecologici Srl and Ecocentro Soluzioni Ambientali Srl**, two companies operating in non-hazardous urban and special waste treatment.

This transaction will enable Actelios, already present in the *waste-to-energy* sector with Trezzo sull'Adda, Granarolo dell'Emilia and Fusina plants, **to achieve higher integration in the waste disposal pipeline while broadening its environmental service offering to local territory**. The storage, treatment and recovery activities, that will integrate the waste-to-energy pipeline, will ensure waste flow standardisation, with consequent quality improvement.

Actelios will also be owning a **technologically advanced plant, registered under an Italian and European patent for soil waste treatment**, by which soil is transformed into a finished and certified product, regularly re-sold as inert material for the brick industry.

The plants of the above-mentioned companies, that are located in the province of Bergamo, currently treat **70,000 tons of waste per annum**, although they may substantially increase their capacity without any further capex. The two companies are certified ISO 14001/EMAS - the EU Eco-Management and Audit Scheme, only for companies capable to achieve challenging results in environmental protection and in continuous performance improvement.

The acquisition of the two companies, for a price of a about 13 million euro, will contribute to increase Actelios Group consolidated annual revenue by further 12 million euro and will be completed by 31 July 2010 when Actelios is granted the authorisations to operate the plants. Actelios Group results in the second half of 2010 will thus benefit from the consolidation of the two acquired companies.

"By this transaction - explained Mr. Roberto Tellarini, Managing Director of Actelios SpA - Actelios starts integrating the waste-to-energy and waste treatment sectors through innovative technologies that, by maximising recovery, allow to minimise waste disposal. The goal is to strengthen our presence in the territory and to enhance our know-how in a key sector in which we intend to play a leading role also in the future".

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