

REXEL ANNOUNCES DISPOSAL OF A NON-CORE BUSINESS, HCL ASIA

Rexel announces the sale of HCL Asia, one of the three activities of its Agencies Consumers Electronics (ACE) division¹, to the DKSH Group, a privately held Swiss company and the leading Market Expansion Services provider with a focus on Asia.

HCL Asia, headquartered in Hong Kong, distributes luxury products such as watches, skin care products and other fashion-related products in Asian countries through a network of 54 sales outlets as a wholesaler and duty-free agent.

This business was non-core for Rexel, a global leader in the distribution of electrical supplies, and generated sales of €42 million in 2009 (out of total Group sales of €11.3 billion).

Rexel, a global leader in the distribution of electrical supplies, serves three main end markets: industrial, commercial and residential. The Group operates in 34 countries, with a network of some 2,300 branches, and employs 29,000 people. Rexel's sales were €11.3 billion in 2009. Its majority shareholders are an investor group led by Clayton, Dubilier & Rice, Eurazeo and BAML Capital Partners.

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¹ The ACE division is reported under the « Other Activities » segment in Rexel's financial statements.