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SOURCING IN JAPAN

Paris, 31 March 2011 – In response to a number of enquiries, Saft, leader in the design, development and manufacture of high- end batteries for industry and defence, wishes to clarify that of the limited number of components sourced in Japan, only one important material comes from the affected northern part of the country.

Sufficient stocks are on hand to handle its needs for the coming months and additionally Saft has a second qualified source for this material in Europe.

About Saft

Saft (Euronext: Saft) is a world specialist in the design and manufacture of high-tech batteries for industry. Saft batteries are used in high performance applications such as industrial infrastructure and processes, transportation, space and defence. The Group is also very well positioned in the new markets for clean vehicles and renewable energy storage. Saft is the world's leading manufacturer of nickel batteries for industrial applications and of primary lithium batteries for a wide range of end markets. The group is also the European leader for specialised advanced technologies for the defence and space industries. With approximately 4,000 employees, Saft is present in 19 countries. Its 15 manufacturing sites and extensive sales network enable the Group to serve its customers worldwide.

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