



MANITOU GROUP

**Document E concerning the
merger project of Manitou with SFERT is made available**

Ancenis - May 09 2011 - Following the announcement on February 9, 2011 of a merger project with its holding company SFERT (Société Financière d'Etudes et de Réalisations Techniques, jointly controlled 50-50 by the Braud and Himsworth branches) Manitou BF announced today the operation note ("Document E") for the merger with SFERT by takeover is available and was filed by French Stockmarket Authorities (AMF) on May 9, 2011 under number E.11-025.

This note is now available (in French only) on the web site www.manitou.com as well as on the AMF web site : www.amf-france.org

It is also available at the Company headquarter BP 10249, 430 rue de l'Aubinière 44158 Ancenis Cedex France.

Manitou, the Material-Handling Reference, is headquartered in Ancenis (West of France). Manitou designs, assembles and distributes material-handling solutions for agriculture, construction and industry markets. Manitou reported in 2010 revenue of €838 millions, of which two thirds outside France. Business is conducted under the Manitou®, Gehl®, Mustang®, Loc® et Edge® trademarks, through 1,400 independent dealers in more than 120 countries. As of December 31, 2010, Manitou employed 2,800 people of which 40% outside France.

Forthcoming events

June 09, 2011: Annual Shareholders' Meeting

July 19, 2011: H1'11 net sales

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