

### **Financial Information**

## Strong topline growth fuelled by Industry and new economies Record H1 EBITA at €1.4 billion, up 14%

2011 targets: strong sales growth and EBITA margin of around 15.0%<sup>1</sup>

**Rueil-Malmaison (France), July 29, 2011** – Schneider Electric announced today its second quarter sales and first half results for the period ending June 30, 2011.

Key figures (€ million)	First Half 2010 Reported	First Half 2010 Comparable <sup>2</sup>	First Half 2011 Reported	% change vs. Reported
Sales Organic growth	8,571	9,389	10,336 + <i>10.2%</i>	+21%
EBITA <sup>3</sup> before acquisition and	1,243	1,252	1,413	+14%
integration costs % of sales	14.5%	13.3%	13.7%	
Net income (Group share)	735		802	+9%

Jean-Pascal Tricoire, President and CEO, said: "We delivered a strong first half 2011 with double-digit growth in both sales and operational profitability. This was achieved despite significant inflation headwind and investment for strategic growth priorities.

Solutions delivered superior growth in the first half, the result of our effort to develop dedicated and integrated solutions for our customers, particularly in the area of energy efficiency and the smart grid, We furthered expanded our footprint in the new economies which represent about 40% of our sales today. The acquisitions announced in the first half significantly reinforce our positions in these two strategic areas.

Second half priority will be integration of the acquisitions and synergy generation. In addition, we'll continue to focus on operational efficiency on both productivity and support functions, accelerate price increases to partly offset the strong raw material inflation, and drive cash conversion.

Looking forward, taking into account the solid topline progression in the first half, we confirm the full year organic growth target of 6% to 9% and aim for a solid EBITA progression and an EBITA margin of around 15%<sup>1</sup>"

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> EBITA margin before acquisition and integration costs and consolidation impact of 2011 acquisitions

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Comparable: including Areva Distribution in H1 2010 in the Energy business

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> EBITA: EBIT before amortization and impairment of purchase accounting intangibles and impairment of goodwill

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## I. Q2 SALES UP 8.8% LIKE-FOR-LIKE, FUELLED BY SOLID TREND IN INDUSTRY AND IT, ALONG WITH A STRONG QUARTER FOR ENERGY

Second quarter 2011 sales reached €5,392 million, up 15.7% on a current structure and exchange rate basis. Like-for-like sales were up 8.8%.

€ million	Sales First Half 2011	% change First Half (organic)	Sales Q2 2011	% change Q2 (organic)
Power	3,936	+8.5%	2,027	+6.7%
Energy	2,029	+5.4%	1,121	+9.0%
Industry	2,227	+17.8%	1,122	+14.2%
IT	1,412	+9.8%	749	+8.5%
Buildings	732	+7.0%	373	+5.6%
Total	10,336	+10.2%	5,392	+8.8%

### Growth by businesses in the second quarter

**Power** (37% of Group Q2 sales) like-for-like sales grew **6.7%.** Product business continued to be robust, supported by strong industrial demand, infrastructure investment and wider geographical coverage in new economies, more than offsetting the weak construction markets. Solutions business was softer in this quarter, reflecting tougher comparison, particularly for renewable energy. By region, Asia-Pacific and Rest of World (despite challenging market conditions in Africa) delivered strong growth. North America continued its recovery while Western Europe was still impacted by Spain and slower solutions business.

**Energy** (21% of Group Q2 sales) reported a strong quarter as sales grew **9.0%** like-for-like, fuelled by a strong solutions business, reflecting mainly the improving demand from utilities, growing investment in oil and gas and infrastructure, particularly in the new economies, and a robust services activity. The product business was in slight decline as the improvement in primary distribution was offset by a weak transformer activity. By region, Asia-Pacific and Rest of World grew double-digit. Western Europe and North America were stable. Areva Distribution was reported under scope impact in this quarter and generated sales of €484 million.

**Industry** (21% of Group Q2 sales), up **14.2%** like-for like, reported the strongest growth, despite higher basis of comparison. Demand continued to develop positively across the board. All product categories showed good growth, with particularly strong momentum in drives and motion control. New product introductions also continued to generate extra market opportunities. The trend of solutions business remained very high, sustained not only by demand for OEM solutions, energy efficiency solutions for mining, oil and gas, and cement sectors but also the need for industrial services. The growth was balanced across all regions. CST, which has been grouped under Industry from this year on, also delivered good growth.

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**IT** (14% of Group Q2 sales) reported solid organic growth, up **8.5%** compared to the strong second quarter in 2010, on robust solutions business which grew double-digit. This reflected the sustained demand for complete data center projects and services. Small systems also grew, benefiting from the good demand in Asia-Pacific, in particular Japan, which offset the weaker trends in mature markets. By region, Asia Pacific and Rest of the World reported the highest growth, followed by North America. Western Europe was negative in the quarter.

**Buildings** (7% of Group Q2 sales) sales grew **5.6%** year-on-year. As in the previous quarter, solution business continued to lead the growth, supported by strong advanced and installed base services in addition to security systems and energy efficiency projects in new economies. Growth of product business was more moderate in this quarter. By region, while demand in new economies developed very positively, the underlying demand in mature markets continued to be soft.

### Growth by geography in the second quarter

€ million	Sales First Half 2011	% change First Half (organic)	Sales Q2 2011	% change Q2 (organic)
Western Europe	3,467	+4%	1,759	+2%
Asia-Pacific	2,668	+17%	1,433	+15%
North America	2,391	+11%	1,228	+8%
Rest of the World	1,810	+12%	972	+14%
Total	10,336	+10.2%	5,392	+8.8%

**Western Europe** (32% of Group Q2 sales) grew **2%** year-on-year in the second quarter. The solid performance of Germany, the Nordic countries and Italy was offset by the double-digit decline of Spain.

Asia Pacific (27% of Group Q2 sales), now the second largest region of the Group, was up **15%** yearon-year, despite much tougher comparison. The trend across the region continued to be robust and most countries reported high growth.

**North America** (23% of Group Q2 sales) further recovered and was up **8%** year-on-year. Healthy industrial demand, good growth in datacenters and energy efficiency projects more than offset weaker trends in the construction-related activity and utility market.

**Rest of the World** (18% of Group Q2 sales) region was up **14%**. Momentum was particularly strong in Russia and Latin America, followed by Middle East and Central Europe, while Africa stabilised.

Sales in new economies were up 17% like-for-like in the second quarter, or 39% of reported sales.

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### Consolidation and foreign exchange impacts

Acquisitions contributed €543 million or +11.6%. This includes mainly Areva Distribution for €484 million<sup>4</sup>, Uniflair, Lee Technologies (both in the IT business) and several smaller entities including Summit Energy.

Impact of foreign exchange fluctuations turned significantly negative at -€205 million, primarily due to the appreciation of the Euro against the US dollar and the Chinese yuan.

### **II. FIRST HALF 2011 KEY RESULTS**

€ million	First Half 2010 Reported	First Half 2010 Comparable <sup>5</sup>	First Half 2011 Reported	% change vs. Reported
EBITA before acquisition and integration costs	1,243	1,252	1,413	+14%
% of sales	14.5%	13.3%	13.7%	
Acquisition and integration costs	(18)	(18)	(41)	
EBITA	1,225	1,234	1,372	+12%
Amortization & impairment of purchase accounting intangibles	(90)		(98)	
EBIT	1,135		1,274	+12%
Net income (Group share) Earnings per share (€ )	735 2.86		802 3.00	+9%
Free cash flow	457		(159)	

## ■ RECORD FIRST HALF EBITA AT €1.4 BILLION BEFORE ACQUSITIONS AND INTEGRATION COSTS

**EBITA before acquisition and integration costs** reached **€1,413 million** in the first half, an increase of **14%** year-on-year, on strong topline growth and continuous operational efficiency, despite significant inflationary headwinds and higher investment to tap growth. This represented a margin of **13.7%** of sales, up **0.4 point** compared to first half 2010 on comparable basis (including Areva Distribution first half 2010 in the Energy Business).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Comparable: including Areva Distribution in H1 2010 in the Energy business

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Including the month of June 2011. June 2010 sales of Areva Distribution were integrated in the third quarter 2010 sales of Schneider Electric and will be considered as a negative scope impact in the Q3 2011 reporting

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- Volume growth generated a strong positive effect of €355 million, partially offset by an unfavorable business mix effect of -€51 million
- Price increases initiated during the first half started to pay off, adding **€46 million** to sales. As expected, this could not fully offset the **-€214 million** raw material inflation immediately, and more price increases are being implemented.
- Industrial productivity continued to be very strong, improving profitability by €233 million, primarily due to purchasing savings and procurement concentration, as well as lean manufacturing, rebalancing to lower cost countries and fixed costs absorption.
- Research and development, selling and administrative costs increased ~7% organically, or €175 million, to be compared with organic sales growth of 10% in the first half. This was in line with the Group's ambition to reduce the support function costs to sales ratio while at the same time take the opportunity to invest for growth (better geographical coverage in new economies, faster deployment of energy management solutions) and technological edge.

EBITA also includes a contribution from acquisitions of **€9 million** (excluding impact of Areva Distribution given the analysis on a comparable basis) and restructuring costs of **€43** million.

Lastly, the evolution of currencies reduced EBITA by **€7 million**, notably due to the dollar's significant decrease against the Euro in the second quarter.

A non-recurring charge of **€41 million** related to acquisition and integration costs was incurred in the first half, of which €16 million was related to Areva Distribution integration. Additional charge is to be expected for the second half of 2011. Reported EBITA after acquisition and integration costs reached **€1,372 millions**, up **12%** year-on-year.

The Energy Business was created in 2011 which combines all the Medium Voltage activities of the Group, including those from Areva Distribution. The following profitability information by business, at EBITA level, is provided in line with the new organization in place and is before acquisition and integration costs. For the Energy business, the variation over the same period in 2010 is provided on a comparable basis, including Areva Distribution in the first half of 2010.

Power EBITA increased 7% year-on-year and reached **20.9%** of sales, down 0.1 point. Energy profitability was at **8.2%** of sales, stable compared to same period last year. Industry profitability jumped 34% year-on-year, with record margin at **19.6%** of sales, up 2.3 points. IT business reported profit progression of 4% year-on-year, at **13.3%** of sales. Profitability of Building was down 1.3 points at **7.4%** of sales.

Total corporate costs in first half 2011 amounted to **€252 million** or 2.4% of sales (excluding acquisition and integration costs), slightly below the level last year.

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### ■ NET INCOME IMPROVED, EARNINGS PER SHARE OF €3.0

The net income reached €802 million, up 9% year-on-year.

It includes the amortization and depreciation of intangibles of €98 million

Financial expenses amounted to  $\in$ **184 million**, including the interest component of defined benefit plan costs (for  $\in$ 24 million) and a negative currency impact of  $\in$ 19 million (compared with a positive impact of  $\in$ 37 million in the first half 2010). Interest expenses on financial debt decreased year-on-year to  $\in$ 130 million.

Income tax amounted to €262 million corresponding to an effective tax rate of 24.0%.

#### FREE CASH FLOW LIMITED BY WORKING CAPITAL CONSUMPTION AND TEMPORARY INVENTORY BUILD-UP TO ENSURE CUSTOMER DELIVERIES

Operating cash flow was stable compared to last year, at €1,146 million.

**Free cash flow** was negative, at -€159 million, reflecting not only the high trade working capital consumption (at €772 million) due to strong sales progression and seasonality, but also the temporary build-up of safety stocks to secure customer deliveries and minimize the supply chain disruption caused by the Japan natural disaster. Non-trade working capital consumption also increased (to €204 million) mainly related to employees accrued wages and bonuses, VAT and other taxes, and prepaid expenses.

As expected, net investment increased €111 million year-on-year, and reached €329 million, as the Group accelerated investment to generate future growth.

### • SOLID BALANCE SHEET AND LOW NET DEBT TO EBITDA RATIO

Schneider Electric's net debt amounted to  $\notin$ 4,474 million ( $\notin$ 4,013 million in June 2010). The increase was primarily the result of  $\notin$ 856 million dividend payment and  $\notin$ 642 million of acquisitions. The net debt-to-equity ratio stayed low at **31%** as of June 30, 2011 and the Group's net debt to EBITDA ratio was solid at **1.2x**. The balance sheet is expected to remain strong at the year end after the payment of acquisitions already announced, in particular Telvent and Leader and Harvest.

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#### III. 2011 OUTLOOK

Taking into account the solid topline progression in the first half, Schneider Electric confirms its full year organic growth target of 6% to 9%. Most of the Group's end-markets continue to develop positively which should make up for the still weak demand of the residential and non-residential buildings segments in mature markets. The robust momentum in the new economies is also expected to continue.

Schneider Electric expects second half profitability to be higher than first half due to seasonality and better raw material pass-through. Price actions initiated during the first half will accelerate to reach ~1% of sales to partly offset the raw material headwind of ~€400m. Negative solution/product mix on gross margin is expected to continue in the second half. The Group's continuous focus on operational efficiency should result in strong productivity in excess of €400 million and lower support function costs to sales ratio.

Consequently, Schneider Electric targets a solid EBITA progression and an EBITA margin of around **15%**, before acquisition and integration costs and consolidation impact of acquisitions announced this year, in particular Telvent.

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The financial statements of the period ending June 30, 2011 were established by Management Board on July 26, 2011, reviewed by the Supervisory Board of Schneider Electric and certified by the Group auditors on July 28, 2011.

The half year 2011 consolidated financial statements and the interim result presentation are available at <u>www.schneider-electric.com</u>

#### Third-quarter 2011 sales will be released on October 20, 2011.

#### About Schneider Electric

As a global specialist in energy management with operations in more than 100 countries, Schneider Electric offers integrated solutions across multiple market segments, including leadership positions in energy and infrastructure, industrial processes, building automation, and data centres/networks, as well as a broad presence in residential applications. Focused on making energy safe, reliable, and efficient, the company's 110,000 plus employees achieved sales of 19.6 billion euros in 2010, through an active commitment to help individuals and organizations "Make the most of their energy."

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Appendix – Sales breakdown by business

First-quarter 2011 sales by business were as follows:

€ million	Sales Q1 2011	% change Q1 constant	Changes in scope of consolidation	Currency effect	% change Q1 current
Power	1,909	+10.6%	-0.2%	+3.7%	+14.1%
Energy	908	+1.4%	+71.8%	+2.6%	+75.8%
Industry	1,105	+21.9%	+3.7%	+3.8%	+29.4%
IT	663	+11.1%	+2.8%	+3.9%	+17.8%
Buildings	359	+8.5%	+6.2%	+3.8%	+18.5%
Total	4,944	+11.8%	+11.1%	+3.6%	+26.5%

Due to a change of responsibility, first-quarter 2010 organic growth of the Power and Building businesses have been modified compared to the data provided in the first quarter 2011 release.

Second-quarter 2011 sales by business were as follows:

€ million	Sales Q2 2011	% change Q2 constant	Changes in scope of consolidation	Currency effect	% change Q2 current
Power	2,027	+6.7%	-0.2%	-4.2%	+2.3%
Energy	1,121	+9.0%	+79.2%	-4.3%	+83.9%
Industry	1,122	+14.2%	-0.6%	-4.4%	+9.2%
IT	749	+8.5%	+6.6%	-6.8%	+8.3%
Buildings	373	+5.6%	+7.0%	-6.1%	+6.5%
Total	5,392	+8.8%	+11.6%	-4.7%	+15.7%

First-half 2011 sales by business were as follows:

€ million	Sales H1 2011	% change H1 constant	Changes in scope of consolidation	Currency effect	% change H1 current
Power	3,936	+8.5%	-0.2%	-0.6%	+7.7%
Energy	2,029	+5.4%	+75.8%	-1.0%	+80.2%
Industry	2,227	+17.8%	+1.3%	-0.8%	+18.3%
IT	1,412	+9.8%	+4.9%	-2.1%	+12.6%
Buildings	732	+7.0%	+6.7%	-1.6%	+12.1%
Total	10,336	+10.2%	+11.4%	-1.0%	+20.6%

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Appendix - Results breakdown by division

€ million	Sales	EBITA before acquisition and integration charges	Margin in % of sales	Acquisition and integration charges	
H1 2011					
Power	3,936	821	821 20.9%		
Energy	2,029	166	8.2%	(15)	
Industry	2,227	436	19.6%	(5)	
IT	1,412	188	13.3%	(3)	
Buildings	732	54	7.4%	(3)	
Holding	-	(252)	-	(15)	
Total	10,336	1,413	13.7%	(41)	
H1 2010 (comparable <sup>1</sup> )					
Power	3,654	769	21.0%	0	
Energy	1,944	159	8.2%	0	
Industry	1,882	325	17.3%	(3)	
IT	1,255	181	14.4%	0	
Buildings	654	57	8.7%	0	
Holding	-	(239)	-	(15)	
Total	9,389	1,252	13.3%	(18)	

1 Comparable: including Areva Distribution in H1 2010 in the Energy business (€818 million of sales and €9 million of EBITA)

€ million	Sales	EBITA before   Sales acquisition   and integration   charges		Acquisition and integration charges	
FY 2010 Comparable <sup>2</sup>					
Power	7,755	1,660	21.4%	0	
Energy	4,341	456 10.5%		0	
Industry	3,984	701 17.6%		(3)	
IT	2,746	453 16.5%		0	
Buildings	1,402	138	138 9.8%		
Holding	-	(437)	-	(25)	
Total	20,228	2,971	14.7%	(31)	
FY 2010 Reported					
Power	7,755	1,660	21.4%	0	
Energy	3,693	447	12.1%	0	
Industry	3,984	701	17.6%	(3)	
IT	2,746	453	16.5%	0	
Buildings	1,402	138	9.8%	(3)	
Holding	-	(437)	-	(25)	
Total	19,580	2,962	15.1%	(31)	

2 Comparable: including Areva Distribution over 12 months in the Energy business (€1878 million of sales and €94 million of EBITA)

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#### Appendix - Consolidation impact on sales and EBITA

In number of months	2010 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2011 Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
SCADAgroup Industry business 2010 sales €68 million		3m	3m	3m	3m			
Cimac Industry business 2009 sales €40 million		~5m	3m	3m	3m	-2m		
<b>Zicom</b> Buildings 2009 sales €30 million		2m	3m	3m	3m	1m		
Areva Distribution Energy business 2010 sales €1.9 billion			4m	3m	3m	3m	-1m	
50% of Electroshield TM Samara					EM	EM	EM	EM
Uniflair IT business 2010e sales €80 million					3m	3m	3m	3m
<b>Vizelia- D5X</b> Buildings business 2010e sales €8 million					3m	3m	3m	3m
Lee Technologies IT business 2010 sales \$140 million						3m	3m	3m
Summit Energy Buildings business 2011e sales \$65 million						3m	3m	3m
Digilink Power business 2010 sales c. €25 million							3m	3m
APW President (75% owned) IT business FY 31/10/10 sales €18 million							Зm	3m
Luminous IT business FY 31/3/11 sales c€170 million							Зm	3m

The acquisitions of Telvent, Leader & Harvest and Steck Group have yet to be finalized. EM: Accounted for with the equity method (in profit/loss of associates)

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