



## Saft receives €35m of orders from Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited (RJIL) for Li-ion telecom batteries in India

*Saft's largest ever orders for Li-ion telecom batteries will see state-of-the-art Evolion™ systems installed at over ten thousand RJIL Global Base Monopole (GBM) sites across India.*

*The orders will be fulfilled on a global basis, with Evolion systems manufactured at Saft's specialized US Li-ion facility in Jacksonville and supported by the newly inaugurated Amco-Saft India Ltd factory in Bangalore.*

**Paris, July 17, 2013** – Saft, the world's leading designer and manufacturer of advanced batteries for industry, has won €35m of orders to supply specialized lithium-ion (Li-ion) telecom battery systems for Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited (RJIL) broadband mobile base stations in India. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited is a subsidiary of India's largest private firm and currently the only Pan-Indian 4G/LTE operator.

*"Saft is delighted to be working with Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited to deliver our largest ever orders for Li-ion telecom batteries so far" said Xavier Delacroix, General Manager of Saft's IBG Division. "This is a particularly demanding application that calls for batteries capable of working hard and long in challenging climatic conditions to keep the network operating 24/7, and our Li-ion Evolion™ system offers the perfect technical solution. Another key factor in this success is the high level of local support we now offer through our new Amco-Saft India Ltd factory that has just opened in Bangalore and we see huge potential for growth in India's telecoms market."*

Saft combined its extensive practical experience in the telecoms industry with its well proven maintenance-free and smart Li-ion technology to create the Evolion™ concept that ensures exceptional service and long-life in telecom installations, while operating over a wide range of temperatures from -40°C to +75°C. The high energy density and fast charging 48V Evolion™ module offers a capacity of 3.9 kWh, and is fully compatible with existing telecom equipment, but is around half the size of a conventional telecom battery, freeing up more space in the cabinet for revenue-generating equipment. The Li-ion battery is also around one quarter of the weight, making it much easier and safer to transport, handle and install.

The first deliveries began during the second quarter of 2013 and will be completed by the end of the first quarter 2014.

### **About Saft**

Saft (Euronext: Saft) is a world leader in the design and manufacture of advanced technology batteries for industry. The Group is the world's leading manufacturer of nickel batteries and primary lithium batteries for the industrial infrastructure and processes, transportation, civil and military electronics markets. Saft is the world leader in space and defence batteries with its Li-ion technologies which are also being deployed in the energy storage, transportation and telecommunication markets. Saft's 3,800 employees present in 18 countries, its 15 manufacturing sites and extensive sales network all contribute to accelerating the Group's growth for the future.

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