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Swisslog awarded major order by Wärtsilä

Buchs/Aarau and Helsinki, 13 March 2009 – Wärtsilä, a leading provider of complete lifecycle power solutions for marine and energy industries, has commissioned Swisslog to design and implement a new Central Distribution Center in Kampen, the Netherlands. Swisslog will act as general contractor for this order, the value of which amounts to approx. MEUR 50.

The new Central Distribution Center (CDC) will allow Wärtsilä to centralize the spare parts logistics from its nine existing, product-line specific spare parts warehouses to a single, global distribution center. "The CDC will enable Wärtsilä's 24/7 service strategy to improve customer service and realize cost savings," says Tage Blomberg, Group Vice President, Wärtsilä Services.

As general contractor, Swisslog will provide a turn-key CDC solution covering design, realization and start-up of the new facility, including building construction and all material handling equipment. Swisslog will implement its own software products and warehouse control system, and it will also be responsible for the overall integration of the systems. "This order for a greenfield distribution center reflects Swisslog's approach to integrated logistics solutions, which ranges from consultancy to general contracting, to realization and service. We thereby create clear benefits for the customer in terms of cost cuts and more efficient operations," says Daniel Fink, President of Swisslog's Warehouse & Distribution Solutions division.

The CDC will comprise of inbound and outbound logistics, technical quality control and heavy goods storage as well as automated miniload and pallet high-bay storages. Construction work, which accounts for a sizeable part of the project volume, is scheduled to start in August 2009. The spare parts from Wärtsilä's nine warehouses will be moved to the CDC during 2011.

Swisslog calendar

21 April 2009: General Meeting of Shareholders

20 May 2009: Investor Day

18 August 2009: 2009 Half-year result

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About Swisslog

Swisslog is a global provider of integrated logistics solutions for warehouses, distribution centers and hospitals. Its comprehensive services portfolio ranges from building complex warehouses and distribution centers to implementing Swisslog's own software to intra-company logistics solutions for hospitals.

Swisslog's solutions optimize customers' production, logistics and distribution processes in order to increase flexibility, responsiveness and quality of service while minimizing logistics costs. With years of experience in the development and implementation of integrated logistics solutions, Swisslog provides the expertise that customers in more than 50 countries around the world rely on.

Headquartered in Buchs/Aarau, Switzerland, Swisslog currently employs over 2 000 staff in 20 countries worldwide.

The group's parent company, Swisslog Holding AG, is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (security number: 1232462, Telekurs: SLOG, Reuters: SLOG.S). For more information, visit www.swisslog.com

About Wärtsilä

Wärtsilä enhances the business of its customers by providing them with complete lifecycle power solutions. When creating better and environmentally compatible technologies, Wärtsilä focuses on the marine and energy markets with products and solutions as well as services. Through innovative products and services, Wärtsilä sets out to be the most valued business partner of all its customers. This is achieved by the dedication of close to 19,000 professionals manning 160 locations in 70 countries around the world. Wärtsilä is listed on the Nordic Exchange in Helsinki, Finland.