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### **CLOSURE OF COPPER DATA COMMUNICATION CABLE FACTORY IN ÅRNES (NORWAY)**

In continuation of the earlier announced additional cost savings plans within Draka's Communications Group, the Board of Management of Draka Holding N.V. announces that it intends to close its factory in Årnes (Norway). The factory is dedicated to the manufacturing of copper data communication cables for Local Area Network applications and employs around 125 people. The intention is to move the existing production capacity to its other facilities in Europe. The total termination of the activities has been communicated to the employees and will be finalized before the end of this year.

Draka will inform the Works' Council and the Labor Authority about the legal grounds for the aforementioned close down.

Commenting on the intended closure, Frank Dorjee, CEO of Draka Holding N.V., said:  
*'The intended closure of our factory in Årnes forms part of Draka's extended Triple S cost savings programme which was announced in October 2009. In addition to the earlier announced measures, group wide savings of approximately € 60 million per annum are expected to be realised in 2010. Going forward, Draka will continue to look for further cost savings opportunities across the board.'*

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### **Cautionary note regarding forward-looking statements**

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Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties. A number of significant factors could therefore cause actual future results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in any forward-looking statement. Such factors include but are not limited to conditions on the markets in Europe, the United States and elsewhere from which we derive a substantial portion of our revenue, potential defaults on the part of borrowers or trading counterparties, the implementation of our restructuring programme including the envisaged reduction in headcount and the reliability of our risk management policies, procedures and methods. For more information on these and other factors, please refer to our annual report. The forward-looking statements contained in this announcement are made as of the date hereof and the companies assume no obligation to update any forward-looking statement contained in this announcement.

#### **2010 financial calendar (provisional)**

<b>Publication of 2009 full-year figures</b>	<b>Monday, 22 February 2010 (before start of trading)</b>
<b>General Meeting of Shareholders, the Rosarium (Amsterdam)</b>	<b>Tuesday, 20 April 2010, starting at 14:30h</b>
<b>Publication of trading update for the first half of 2010</b>	<b>Tuesday, 18 May 2010 (before start of trading)</b>
<b>Publication of 2010 half-year figures</b>	<b>Thursday, 19 August 2010 (before start of trading)</b>
<b>Publication of trading update for the second half of 2010</b>	<b>Thursday, 11 November 2010 (before start of trading)</b>

### **Company profile**

*Draka Holding N.V. ('Draka') is the holding company of a number of operating companies that are active worldwide in the development, production and sale of cable and cable systems. Draka's activities are divided into three groups: Energy & Infrastructure, Industry & Specialty and Communications.*

*Within these three groups, the activities are organised into divisions. Energy & Infrastructure consists of the Europe and Asia-Pacific divisions; Industry & Specialty consists of the Automotive & Aviation, Elevator Products, Cableteq USA and Industrial divisions and the Communications Group comprises the Telecom Solutions, Multimedia and Specials, Americas and Optical Fiber divisions.*

*Draka has 68 operating companies in 30 countries throughout Europe, North and South America, Asia and Australia. Worldwide, the Draka companies employ some 9,900 people. Draka Holding N.V.'s head office is in Amsterdam. In 2008, Draka reported revenue of € 2.7 billion and net income of € 83.5 million (excluding non-recurring items).*

*Draka Holding N.V. ordinary shares and subordinated convertible bonds are listed on NYSE Euronext Amsterdam. The company has been included in the Next150 index since 2001 and the AMX index (Amsterdam Midkap index) since 4 March 2008. Options on Draka shares are also traded on the NYSE Euronext Amsterdam Derivative Markets.*

*More information on Draka Holding N.V. can be found at [www.draka.com](http://www.draka.com).*