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## **AXIMA SERVICES (SUEZ) SIGNS A €24 MILLION FACILITIES MANAGEMENT CONTRACT WITH BOREALIS**

AXIMA Services has signed a facilities management contract with BOREALIS. This involves AXIMA Services assuming responsibility for the management of 53 services including the technical management of buildings and some production units, intervention requests, modifications to installations, production stoppages, reports and analysis, management of staff catering facilities, cleaning, filing and reproduction systems, etc.

This is an 8-year results-guaranteed contract accompanied by a system of performance indicators. It also contains a bonus/penalty system based on safety, intervention times, planning and customer satisfaction. In addition, a yearly audit evaluating the services provided by AXIMA Services is included.

AXIMA Services will operate on three of BOREALIS sites in Belgium: Beringen, Zwijndrecht and Kallo.

This important contract further reinforces the position of AXIMA Services as the undisputed market leader in facility management in Belgium.

BOREALIS is one of the main producers of polyethylene plastic (PE) and polypropylene (PP) in Europe and a major player in the world market; its registered headquarters are in Copenhagen, Denmark. The BOREALIS group produces 3.5 million tonnes of PE and PP per year and employs nearly 5 000 people.

AXIMA Services (SUEZ) unites a group of European companies that specialise in long-term technical management, operation & maintenance of technical installations and facility management. AXIMA Services works in partnership with its customers in many sectors: industry, airports, large sites, property, hospitals, swimming pools, distribution, logistics, etc. In 2003, the turnover of AXIMA Services was € 357 million and it has approximately 3 000 members of staff.

AXIMA Services along with ELYO form SUEZ business unit called Tractebel Energy Services (TES) with a 2003 turnover of € 3.2 billion and a staff of 18 100 working on energy efficiency and multitechnical management. Within TES the two companies share a same vision of their business and same values: customers satisfaction, guaranteed performances and respect of the environnement.

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