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ERG (Air Pollution Control) Ltd announces two acquisitions

Horsham, West Sussex, 21 May 2008. ERG (Air Pollution Control) Ltd announces the acquisition of the intellectual property rights to the V-tex™ vortex scrubbing technology from Accentus plc, and announces the acquisition of Air Pollution Control Process Engineering Ltd (formerly Air Pollution Control Ltd).

V-tex™ is an outstanding scrubbing and stripping technology utilising patented opposing spray jet nozzles to feed liquor into the heart of a gas vortex, giving highly efficient gas-liquid contact leading to superior mass transfer efficiency. In contrast to traditional packed tower scrubbers, V-tex™ vortex scrubbers have no packing material to foul, are virtually maintenance free, can handle viscous slurries, and are often only 20% of the height of other stripping or scrubbing columns. These features translate into economic savings that have been recognised by process plant operators at more than 200 V-tex™ installations globally including leading companies such as Dow Chemicals, Lucent, Glaxo Smith Kline and Nestlé.

Commenting on this transaction Philip Agg, Managing Director of Accentus plc, said: "We are delighted to sell the V-tex™ vortex scrubbing technology rights to ERG. Since 2002 ERG has been a leading licensee of this technology, and the V-tex™ vortex is a perfect complement to their scrubbing technology portfolio. ERG is also strategically placed with an established client base and the reputation to be able to exploit the V-Tex™ market potential".

Air Pollution Control Process Engineering Ltd. has built up an enviable reputation and unparalleled depth of expertise over 35 years within the air pollution control market by offering turn-key systems and design consultancy to blue-chip clients across diverse processing industries, such as Pfizer, Pirelli and Westinghouse, and Alcoa. In particular, Air Pollution Control Process Engineering have unrivalled expertise in tray scrubbers, venturi scrubbers and high temperature quenches. At the time of the acquisition Air Pollution Control Process Engineering are supplying a £0.5m venturi scrubbing system to a major project in Egypt. Air Pollution Control Process Engineering's two former directors, Alan Boyd and Mike Herbert, will work for ERG on a consultancy basis to ensure continuity of their experience and knowledge of air pollution control systems.

These two acquisitions reinforce the already significant presence that ERG has developed since 1978 in the industrial and odour control segments of the air pollution control marketplace with both wet and, increasingly, dry process technologies.

Commenting on these acquisitions, James Scott-Bowden, Managing Director of ERG (Air Pollution Control) said: "With both the V-tex™ vortex technology rights and the Air Pollution Control Process Engineering acquisitions, ERG is positioned with the full range of technology to offer our clients a comprehensive package of contaminant extraction process solutions. With our team of experienced applications consulting

engineers, we provide clients with reliable, cost effective and compliant solutions to meet ever more stringent pollution regulations.

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About ERG (Air Pollution Control) Ltd.

ERG (Air Pollution Control) is a leading supplier of air pollution control systems and services with a 30 year track record, providing turnkey tailor made solutions that are optimised to give the best technical solution for the lowest capital and running cost.

Based in Horsham, near Gatwick airport ERG has satellite offices around the UK, a branch office in the Middle East, and a global network of V-tex™ technology licensees.

ERG specialises in odour control systems; V-tex™ scrubbing, stripping and condensing technology; soluble contamination capture and recovery; particulate removal systems; hazardous waste flue gas cleaning systems, and VOC contamination abatement.

APC Process Engineering Ltd was acquired by ERG in early 2008. APC Process Engineering Ltd. has built up an enviable reputation and unparalleled depth of expertise over 35 years within the air pollution control market by offering turn-key systems and design consultancy to blue-chip clients across diverse processing industries, such as Pfizer, Pirelli and Westinghouse, and Alcoa.