



Press Release

Andreas Friedrich new CSO at A-TEC subsidiary ATB Austria Antriebstechnik AG

Spielberg, 4 May 2007 – In the process of implementing ATB Group's new holding company structure (the A-TEC subsidiary will in future be managed from Vienna), there are also board-level changes in ATB's Management. Wilhelm Töpfl, who as CSO has contributed to ATB's successful emergence as an international player in the electric motors business, is moving to the management headquarters of ATB Antriebstechnik GmbH, Welzheim, where he will head marketing activities for the new Serial Motors Division of ATB's core business.

At the same time Andreas Friedrich, an internationally experienced top manager, will be taking up his new responsibilities on ATB Austria Antriebstechnik AG's Management Board. Until recently Managing Director of Artesyn Technologies, the 44-year-old CSO will continue the ongoing successful standardisation of sales and marketing activities in ATB Group. *"With more than 6,500 employees, our Group is already one of the three most important producers of electrical motors in Europe. I am happy to be able to contribute my extensive experience in sales and marketing to this rapidly expanding business and am looking forward to the challenge of working with this globally successful Group,"* says the new member of the Management Board.

CEO Christian Schmidt sees his newly appointed colleague on the Board as the ideal person to continue to drive international electric motor sales forward and exploit the worldwide potential for growth: *"Andreas Friedrich is a sales and marketing professional with international experience, and we count ourselves lucky to have secured his services. He has the necessary background needed to build up and develop our marketing organisation and to open up new markets."*

About ATB Austria Antriebstechnik AG

The Vienna listed ATB Austria Antriebstechnik Group, headquartered in Spielberg, Austria, is one of the world's leading manufacturers of electrical drive systems for industrial applications and appliances. Its subsidiaries are: ATB Antriebstechnik, Welzheim, Germany; ATB Motorenttechnik, Nordenham, Germany; ATB Technologies, Lustenau, Austria; ATB Components, Ostrava, Czech Republic; ATB Selni, Nevers, France; ATB Morley, Leeds, UK; ATB Sever, Subotica, Serbia; ATB Motors, Shanghai, China; and Lindeteves-Jacoberg Ltd., Singapore. For more information, see www.atb-motors.com.

About A-TEC Industries

[Vienna listed A-TEC](http://www.a-tecindustries.com) Industries AG is an international industrial group based in Vienna with successful operations in the drive engineering, plant engineering, machine tool and metallurgical industries. The group currently employs around 11,000 people in Australia, Austria, China, Croatia, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, India, Italy, Poland, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland, the UK and the USA. The four Group companies together posted total revenues of some EUR 1.6 billion for 2006. For more information, see www.a-tecindustries.com.

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