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## Alfa Laval wins SEK 50 million order from Novozymes in the US

Alfa Laval – a world leader in heat transfer, centrifugal separation and fluid handling – has received an order for membranes and heat exchangers for Novozymes' new production plant in Nebraska, US. The order value is about SEK 50 million and delivery is scheduled for 2010.

The Alfa Laval membranes and heat exchangers will be used to concentrate enzymes for further use in production of starch-based ethanol. The facility in Nebraska will not only supply enzymes for the existing bioethanol industry, it is also designed for production of enzymes to be used in ethanol production from cellulose, a process under development. The specific enzymes are used to break down feedstock such as corn, sugar cane bagasse and wood chips – and convert the cellulose and starch into sugar.

"We have delivered a similar solution to a Novozymes production plant in China during 2008, and this order shows that our recently developed ultra filtration membranes have proven their efficiency within the enzyme industry", says Lars Renström, President and CEO of the Alfa Laval Group.

**Did you know that** Alfa Laval was founded in 1883 and only two years later, in 1885, the company established its first sales company in the US?

## **About Alfa Laval**

Alfa Laval is a leading global provider of specialized products and engineering solutions based on its key technologies of heat transfer, separation and fluid handling.

The company's equipment, systems and services are dedicated to assisting customers in optimizing the performance of their processes. The solutions help them to heat, cool, separate and transport products in industries that produce food and beverages, chemicals and petrochemicals, pharmaceuticals, starch, sugar and ethanol.

Alfa Laval's products are also used in power plants, aboard ships, in the mechanical engineering industry, in the mining industry and for wastewater treatment, as well as for comfort climate and refrigeration applications.

Alfa Laval's worldwide organization works closely with customers in nearly 100 countries to help them stay ahead in the global arena.

Alfa Laval is listed on the Nordic Exchange, Nordic Large Cap, and, in 2008, posted annual sales of about SEK 28 billion (approx. 2.9 billion Euros). The company has some 12 000 employees.

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