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### Alfa Laval wins a SEK 60 million unique energy efficiency order from AkzoNobel

**Alfa Laval – a world leader in heat transfer, centrifugal separation and fluid handling – has won an order to supply a unique evaporation system to an AkzoNobel chemical plant in Germany. The order is worth approximately SEK 60 million and delivery is scheduled for 2013.**

The Alfa Laval evaporation system which will concentrate caustic soda based on evaporation and condensation heat exchangers, will be installed in a plant in Germany. By combining the advantages of different types of heat exchangers it is, for the first time, feasible to concentrate caustic soda in a 4-effect evaporation system. The unique Alfa Laval design will enable energy savings of 25 percent compared to the best traditional designs

“One of our strengths is our wide range of heat exchangers and application knowledge covering different needs from various industries”, says Lars Renström, President and CEO of the Alfa Laval Group. “This time we have used our expertise to create a unique system that enables large energy savings. This order is a good example of our ability to optimize our customers’ processes.”

**Did you know that...** caustic soda needs to be concentrated from 32 to 50 percent – and then it is used as a chemical base in the manufacture of pulp and paper, textiles, drinking water, soaps and detergents?

#### **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

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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 Nasdaq OMX, and, in 2011, posted annual sales of about SEK 28.6 billion (approx. 3.2 billion Euros). The company has today about 16 000 employees.

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