



Yves Zumwald appointed head of Distribution Business Unit

The Board of Directors of Romande Energie Holding SA Group has appointed Yves Zumwald as head of the Distribution Business Unit. He will commence his duties on 1 September 2009 and be responsible for the management and development of power distribution grids, his main task being to ensure the quality of energy supplies for clients. The Group is pleased to be able to count on Mr Zumwald's solid expertise and experience in the field of electricity transport.

Morges, 18 May 2009 – Yves Zumwald, aged 42, will take over as Distribution Manager at Romande Energie on 1 September 2009.

Mr Zumwald has a Swiss Federal Proficiency Certificate as a fitter/electrician, and holds a degree in electrical engineering and a postgraduate degree in Economics and Business Management from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Lausanne.

Since January 2005, he has been head of infrastructures at EOS Réseau SA and sits on the management committee of this subsidiary of the Alpiq Group. Previously, he was National Electrical Design Manager at Orange Communications after having spent more than 7 years with EOS as an operating engineer.

As Distribution Manager, Mr Zumwald will be in charge of some 350 employees split up into five groups: operation, design, construction, asset management, and client services. Major challenges he will be faced with include maintaining the quality of energy supplies, continuing to guarantee competitive grid usage tariffs, expanding the grid, promoting partnerships, and enhancing performance and innovation. Romande Energie invests around CHF 60 million a year in technical infrastructure in order to ensure the very best quality of supplies for its clients.

The Distribution Business Unit has been managed ad interim by Frédéric Lin since November 2008. The Board of Directors and the Executive Board would like to thank him warmly for his strong commitment and most valuable contribution in performing this important function. Mr Lin is head of the asset management group within the Unit, and he will be Mr Zumwald's deputy.

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