



Press release

Romande Energie reinforces its holding in Eneftech Innovation

Romande Energie, through its subsidiary Romande Energie Renouvelable, is increasing its equity stake in Eneftech Innovation SA. After sponsoring the research and development phase of the innovative technology designed by this spin-off of the EPFL (Lausanne Institute of Technology), Romande Energie now intends to play a role in the manufacture and sale of its products. This investment is further proof of the involvement of Romande Energie in designing and promoting efficient energy solutions.

Morges, 27 July 2009 – Romande Energie is taking advantage of a capital increase by Eneftech Innovation SA to bolster our holding in the company from 11% to 34%. In doing so, we are supporting the business and development objectives of this start-up located in the EPFL science park.

Eneftech Innovation, founded in 2004, has invented a system using a Scroll micro-turbine to produce electricity by harnessing residual, low-temperature heat. Such heat can come from factories, decentralised generating units (solar panels, biomass, thermal power stations) or remote heating facilities, as well as from buildings or vehicles.

The product created by Eneftech Innovation is a small generating unit called ENEFCOGEN. It features high efficiency and a broad range of possible applications. Moreover, it can be integrated in Romande Energie's decentralised power generating operations.

Over the past three years Eneftech Innovation has not only developed the underlying technology of ENEFCOGEN, but has also created and tested prototypes and filed its first patents. Now it plans to begin the manufacturing process, bring the product to market and secure orders. Romande Energie looks forward to providing assistance throughout these final stages.

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