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ÅF wins major engineering consulting contract in Finland (amounts to over 8 million euros)

ÅF has been chosen as main engineer and project manager for a new peat fired power plant – Keljonlahti project.

ÅF, through its Finnish units, has been awarded a main engineer and project management contact for a new peat and biofuel power plant by Jyväskylän Voima. The contract value for ÅF amounts to over 8 million euros.

This new 209 MWe cogeneration power plant will be commissioned in 2010. The municipal energy company in Jyväskylä has been preparing the project for several years. Environmental impact assessment and pre-engineering were finalised in 2005. The power plant will be implemented as a Joint Venture: the majority is held by Jyväskylä municipal energy company and other partners are local Finnish energy companies. Main fuels will be peat and wood based biofuels.

ÅF is today the leading engineering consultant for biomass fired power plants in Northern Europe. "This new consulting contract won by ÅF is the largest ever for ÅF's Finnish units", says Mr **Eero Auranne**, President Process Division. "We are experiencing a continuous boom, unheard of, in the power plant sector in all countries. ÅF has won this year already four similar bio fuel power plant engineering contracts and the demand in the segment is still increasing, continues Auranne.

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