

### **5,500 square metres of the new ABB warehouse managed effectively due to SAP and itelligence**

**Warsaw, May 25, 2010** – itelligence has begun the implementation of the SAP Warehouse Management at ABB. The project concerns the newly constructed high storage warehouse based in Aleksandrów Łódzki. itelligence is expected to implement the comprehensive project at a record-breaking pace, i.e. within only 10 weeks. SAP Warehouse Management will contribute to the automation and enhance the speed of work by ABB warehouse and manufacturing staff, as well as optimize the use of warehouse space.

One of the main aims of implementing SAP Warehouse Management at the new ABB warehouse is to automate the operation of state-of-the-art warehousing and transportation equipment, as well as to optimize the use of warehouse space. The new system will make the use of warehouse space more efficient, while the number and duration of stock movements will be materially reduced. The SAP solution will recommend the manner in which materials and components should be distributed in a high storage warehouse, taking into account, for instance, their weight, frequency of goods issues to production and the optimization of stock movements.

The connection to RFID terminals and barcode system will minimize the risk of data entry error, while the time in which events are registered will be much shorter. Warehouse staff equipped with portable barcode readers will be able to use them to obtain detailed information regarding the materials or components necessary to fulfil production or distribution orders. The terminals will display not only the picking list, but also the location of the required components in the warehouse.

Additionally, the warehouse staff will also receive information on the location of the individual components on specific forklift trucks that will transport them to the production zone. Such a system will enable the manufacturing staff at the particular workstations to receive precisely prepared components in the picking order corresponding to that required for the manufacturing process to be carried out.

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"We have been using SAP for 13 years now and we have implemented the solution step by step on our own. This time though we decided to benefit from itelligence' knowledge and experience. Prior to selecting a warehouse management system we conducted a detailed analysis of the functional capabilities offered by various solutions. We have chosen SAP Warehouse Management, as it satisfies all our requirements. An additional benefit is that we reduce significantly the number of interfaces and intermediary applications, which will reduce both the maintenance costs as well as the risk of what will happen when we upgrade the system. Our choice of itelligence as our implementation partner was determined by their credibility, experience and competence in international projects," says Mariusz Pietrzakowicz, SAP Services Manager at ABB.

"For many years we have consistently focused on building our competence in the area of SAP logistics solutions. We have a team of professionals at our disposal, expert know-how and extensive implementation experience, including the provision of comprehensive solutions in partnership with hardware suppliers. This has given us a competitive edge on the market. The decision of ABB to choose us as their implementation partner is yet another proof of our competitive advantage in that area," says Piotr Milewski, Consulting Director at itelligence Sp. z o.o.

The recently built ABB warehouse in Aleksandrów Łódzki is one of Poland's most modern and technologically advanced high storage warehouses. The area of this multi-level warehouse stands at 5,500 square metres, while the number of expected warehouse places reaches 5000. The design has incorporated ABB's experience with similar warehouses in Switzerland.

**ABB** means an international ABB Group familiar to Polish electrical engineers and automation specialists for a few decades. The three red ABB letters have always symbolized top quality, precision of workmanship and cutting-edge technology. For nearly 20 years ABB has also been present on the Polish market – not only as a synonym of reliable devices, but also as an employer and owner of factories. ABB companies in Poland employ the total of nearly 2,300 staff, working at company branches, factories and sales offices all over the country. Half of the Polish ABB factories' output is exported to almost all corners of the world. The steadily rising share of exports serves as a proof of the products' top quality. ABB is considered one of Poland's most innovative companies. Innovative solutions developed by scientists at the ABB Corporate Research Centre in Krakow enhance the productivity and improve the quality of the company's products. Corporate Social Responsibility lies at the heart of ABB's operations, which is reflected in the adherence to universal UN Global Compact principles.

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