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September 2, 2011. Exprivia SpA - an IT solutions and consulting firm listed in the STAR segment of the Italian stock exchange, with 1600 employees and 15 offices, 9 of which are in Italy – has won a Europe-wide competition announced by Acquirente Unico SpA (a 100% state-owned company) for creation and operation of the technological infrastructure and application of an IIS or Integrated Information System: a national database of energy users.

Acquirente Unico is a publicly owned joint-stock company which is required by law to provide electricity to almost 29 million users (more than 24 million households and almost 5 million small to medium enterprises) present on the restricted market following deregulation of the energy market in July 2007, supplying almost 90 TWh: more than one quarter of Italy's energy requirements.

Exprivia's proposal was the best of 10 proposals presented by six groups of companies and four individual companies. The five-year project is worth about 12 million Euro.

Paolo Vigeveno, Managing Director of AU–Acquirente Unico SpA, recalls that “in legislation passed in August 2010, AU was asked to develop an Integrated Information System to manage information flows for the electricity and gas markets. This tool makes it possible to respect privacy while overcoming the barriers to data exchange among operators in the past, making it easier for people to change their supplier.”

“Centralised management of information flows will also result in increased overall operating costs for energy companies and therefore consumers,” adds Vigeveno. Setting up the System in AU guarantees impartial operation and no discrimination among operators, who will be able to interact with a guarantee of secure, prompt exchanging of information, promoting the competitiveness of the market as a whole and offering immediate benefits for consumers and operators alike.”

According to **Domenico Favuzzi**, Exprivia Chairman and CEO, “Winning this competition consolidates our position as a supplier of software solutions for the energy industry, a sector characterised by strong process integration and globalisation. Deregulation and the energy market are keys to the modernisation of our country, bringing us closer to the rest of Europe. ICT will play a decisive role in this scenario, and Exprivia is one of the key players on the scene today.”

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Exprivia S.p.A specialises in designing and developing innovative software technologies and in providing IT services for sectors as varied as banking, finance, industry, energy, telecommunications, utilities, healthcare and public administration.

The company is currently listed in the MTA Star segment of the Italian Stock Exchange (XPR).

The company has a total of around 1600 employees and associates, and offices in Molfetta (BA), Bari, Milan, Rome, Piacenza, Padua, Trento, Vicenza, Genoa, Madrid, Barcelona, Las Palmas, Mexico City, Guatemala City and Lima.

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