

## Media Release

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### **Georg Fischer JRG offers hygienic drinking water systems. Drinking water installations from one source**

**Drinking water is a precious commodity. The quality of our drinking water determines our quality of life. It is in fact the source of life. Although water is one of the most highly protected and controlled foods, it is not sterile and contains microorganisms in small quantities. Health risks caused by microbiological contamination, lime scale or corrosion in the domestic water supply must be prevented. The goal is to provide hygienically clean drinking water to consumers.**

Transporting water necessitates utmost care. In order to ensure a high degree of drinking water hygiene, installation systems must be carefully planned and built. Sturdy and safe drinking water systems are realized by implementing quality products, by continually circulating the water and by monitoring the temperature in all areas of the installation. It is also increasingly important for building operators and planning engineers to be aware of possible health risks, such as legionella and pseudomonads.

Georg Fischer JRG offers complete solutions for drinking water installations, all available from one source. The modular drinking water system, consisting of the stop valve JRG LegioStop, the pipe system JRG Sanipex or Sanipex MT, is tried and

tested, flow and noise optimized and free of dead spaces. In developing new valves and piping systems, cavities in which water could stagnate are avoided. Added safety is provided by the continual monitoring of the temperature in the entire drinking water system. Thermal disinfection ensures optimal protection against bacterial contamination.

System planners and building operators appreciate these durable and low maintenance products from Georg Fischer JRG and the safety, quality and easy handling they offer. End users benefit from the high-quality and clean drinking water as well as the consistent water pressure at every tapping point in the building, low noise, and hot water that doesn't change temperature.

**Georg Fischer – Adding Quality to People's Lives**

GF Piping Systems is one of three companies within the Georg Fischer group and a leading supplier of plastic and metal pipe systems with a global market presence.

Our portfolio offers connection technology, fittings, fixtures, sensors and pipes for the treatment and distribution of water as well as the safe transport of industrial fluids and gases. GF Piping Systems supplies leading innovative technical solutions for domestic engineering applications, the chemical process industry, food & beverage, life sciences, the microelectronics, shipbuilding, water and gas supply industries as well as potable water treatment. Our distributors in more than 25 countries and representatives in a further 80 countries guarantee customer service around the clock. Production facilities in Europe, Asia and the US are customer focussed and comply with all local requirements. Georg Fischer's registered offices have been located in Schaffhausen, Switzerland, since the company was founded in 1802.

**Key figures - GF Piping Systems 2010**

More than 4700 employees worldwide (as of 1 March 2011)

1176 million CHF turnover

137 million CHF EBIT (earnings before interest and taxes)

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