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### Alfa Laval receives significant order for sludge treatment in Canada

**Alfa Laval, a world leader in centrifugal separation, heat transfer and fluid handling, has received an order to the value of approximately MSEK 50 for sludge treatment equipment from the Regional Municipality of Peel in Canada. The Municipality controls all municipal waste from the western Greater Toronto Area.**

The contract includes delivery of five decanter centrifuges for dewatering of the sludge and five thickening units for sludge volume reduction. The equipment is to be installed in a new facility of the Lakeview Wastewater Treatment Plant's property in the City of Mississauga.

The entire Lakeview plant is being expanded to handle the increased flow of municipal waste from neighbouring areas as well as from the Greater Toronto Area. Currently, Lakeview is one of the few major Canadian wastewater treatment plants incinerating the bio-solids directly after solids dewatering.

The decision to choose centrifugation instead of other thickening and dewatering technologies was the result of more than 3 years of investigation by two major North American engineering consultants employed by the Region of Peel.

"This is a gratifying contract that further strengthens Alfa Laval's leading position in the challenging area of waste water treatment", comments Ulf Granstrand, Executive Vice President and head of Process Technology Division. "Wastewater treatment is a growing market and increasingly stringent environmental legislation will continue to drive the business".

Alfa Laval offers a complete product range covering the entire sludge treatment process: decanter centrifuges for thickening and dewatering, spiral heat exchangers for heating and dryers. Recently, the company also launched pioneering software that greatly reduces operating costs at wastewater treatment plants.

**Alfa Laval** is a leading global provider of specialized products and engineering solutions based on its key technologies of heat transfer, separation and fluid handling.

The company's equipment, systems and services are dedicated to assisting customers in optimizing the performance of their processes. The solutions help them to heat, cool, separate and transport products in industries that produce foods and beverages, chemicals and petrochemicals, pharmaceuticals, starch, sugar and ethanol. Alfa Laval's products are also used in power plants, aboard ships, in the mechanical engineering industry, in the mining industry and for wastewater treatment, as well as for comfort climate and refrigeration applications.

Alfa Laval's worldwide organization works closely with customers in nearly 100 countries to help them stay ahead in the global arena.

Alfa Laval is listed on the Stockholm Exchange and, in 2002, posted annual sales of about SEK 15 billion (approx. 1.7 billion euros). The company has some 9,100 employees.

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