

ABB donates \$180,000 to help victims of devastating Queensland floods

Employees and company assist families with contribution to Premier's Disaster Relief Appeal

Sydney, Australia, Feb. 2, 2011 – ABB Australia announced today that its 1,500 employees have rallied behind Queenslanders to raise \$180,000 for the Premier's Disaster Relief Appeal, with the company contributing more than two dollars for every dollar from employees. "It is important that we unite and provide support for each other in times of crisis, and the immediate response from our employees across the country has been truly inspirational," said Axel Kuhr, country manager of ABB in Australia. "We are proud to support the generous spirit of our employees by adding \$133,704 to their contributions to bring our total donation to \$180,000. "Our thoughts and hearts go out to the families and local communities affected, particularly those who have lost everything. Our employees will continue to work closely with local businesses to do whatever we can to provide additional assistance for the recovery effort," Kuhr added. ABB's three facilities located in Brisbane escaped major operational disruption or property damage. The company has had technical product specialists available to assist the local utilities in their challenging task of safely restoring power to residences and businesses in the affected areas. ABB expresses its gratitude to the police, emergency services and military personnel for their tremendous efforts during the flood crisis and to the many thousands of volunteers who have freely donated their time during the initial clean up effort. ABB (www.abb.com) is a leader in power and automation technologies that enable utility and industry customers to improve performance while lowering environmental impact. The ABB Group of companies operates in around 100 countries and employs about 124,000 people.

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