Mueller Water Products Acquires Echologics

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ATLANTA, Jan 04, 2011 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Mueller Water Products, Inc. (NYSE: MWA), a leading manufacturer and marketer of products and services that are used in the transmission and distribution of safe, clean drinking water and in water treatment facilities, is expanding its ability to help municipalities rebuild North America's aging water infrastructure with the acquisition of Echologics Holdings, the parent company of Echologics Engineering Inc.

Mueller Water Products purchased Echologics for $8.0 million in cash in mid-December. The company, which was founded in 2003, will continue to operate under the Echologics name as a division of Mueller Co.

Based in Toronto, Echologics is a leader in the development of water infrastructure diagnostic technologies for water loss management, leak detection and pipe condition assessment. Echologics has pioneered advanced technologies that locate leaks and potential leaks and provide utilities with an assessment of the structural thickness of their pipes using non-invasive acoustic wave analysis.

"The ability to help municipalities identify where leaks are occurring, as well as diagnose the overall condition of their piping systems, is crucial as they repair or replace their aging water infrastructures and better manage their water resources," said Gregory E. Hyland, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Mueller Water Products. "Echologics enhances our ability to provide municipalities with the essentialproducts and services needed in the transmission and distribution of drinking water."

"We are excited about becoming part of Mueller Water Products and continuing Mueller's long history of offering municipalities the innovative products they need to keep their water infrastructure systems in optimum condition," said Marc Bracken, vice president and general manager of Echologics.

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This press release contains certain statements that may be deemed "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements that address activities, events or developments that we intend, expect, plan, project, believe or anticipate will or may occur in the future are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are based on certain assumptions and assessments made by us in light of our experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments. Actual results and the timing of

events may differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements due to a number of factors, including regional, national or global political, economic, business, competitive, market and regulatory conditions and the following:

- the level of spending on water and wastewater infrastructure;
- the demand level of manufacturing and construction activity;
- our ability to service our debt obligations; and
- the other factors that are described in the section entitled "RISK FACTORS" in Item 1A of our most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Undue reliance should not be placed on any forward-looking statements. We do not have any intention or obligation to update forward-looking statements after we file this press release, except as required by law.

About Mueller Water Products, Inc.

Mueller Water Products, Inc. manufactures and markets products and services that are used in the transmission and distribution of safe, clean drinking water and in water treatment facilities throughout North America. Our broad product portfolio includes engineered valves, fire hydrants, pipe fittings, water meters and ductile iron pipe, which are used by municipalities, as well as the residential and non-residential construction industries. With latest 12 months net sales through September 30, 2010 of $1.3 billion, the Company is comprised of three operating segments: Mueller Co., U.S. Pipe and Anvil. Based in Atlanta, Georgia, the Company employs approximately 4,800 people. The Company's common stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol MWA. For more information about Mueller Water Products, Inc. visit muellerwaterproducts.com.

About Echologics Holdings

Echologics Holdings is the parent company of Echologics Engineering Inc. Echologics Engineering is a manufacturing, service and marketing company dedicated to helping water utilities reduce water loss with subsequent benefits in monetary, environmental and health costs to the communities. Echologics is a leader in the development of water infrastructure diagnostic technologies for water loss management, leak detection and pipe condition assessment. Founded in 2003, Echologics is based in Toronto and employees 20 people. For more information visit echologics.com.

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