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## Ficosa and Circuit de Catalunya sign a collaboration agreement

*Circuit de Catalunya (Montmeló, Barcelona), January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010 -* Ramón Praderas, Managing Director of Circuit de Catalunya, and Vicenç Aguilera, Managing Director of Ficosa Technology, have signed a collaboration agreement that permanently joins the two companies in the name of research and development on Ficosa's part regarding new types of batteries systems for electric vehicles.

Since last July, Circuit de Catalunya has had a recharge point for electric vehicles, with a commitment to promoting the environmental policy of regulation ISO 14001 – 2004, for which the Circuit is certified. Ficosa will use the station, located on the Circuit de Catalunya facilities, for the diverse research projects they are currently undertaking in the field of batteries systems and other components applied to electric vehicles and hybrid cars.

Ficosa is a company that specializes in the research, development, production, distribution, and commercialization of automotive components, with a presence in over 20 countries worldwide. The Technology division of the Spanish multinational is working on the development of a "battery pack" for electric vehicles (EV) and/or "plug-in" hybrids (PHEV).

The agreement will allow research and development tasks, carried out by the company at its Technology Centre in Mollet del Vallès (Barcelona), to be complemented by field tests and real-world application of projects they are currently undertaking. Ficosa actively participates in diverse cooperative research projects involving sustainable mobility and electric vehicles.

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