

In brief

ABB has won an order from JSPL Mozambique Minerais LDA, a subsidiary of Jindal Steel and Power Ltd, for a 220/33 kV turnkey substation, to electrify the opencast coal mine project at its mining concession in the Tete Province in Mozambique.

In recognition of the significant growth opportunity associated with the global battery marketplace, **BASF** is creating a new global business unit that will bring together its current and future battery-related electromobility activities. As part of this transition, a new global business unit 'Battery Materials' has been formed.

Honeywell has unveiled the process industry's first vendor-neutral control suite, which allows plant operators to centrally monitor and control both Honeywell and non-Honeywell process control systems within their plants.

Micromine has announced the general release of Micromine 2011, the latest version of its flagship exploration and mine modelling solution. With over 12 000 worldwide users, Micromine enables geologists and engineers to locate prospective regions, search for mineral indicators, model and visualise ore distribution patterns and design mining operations.

For the 11th consecutive year, **SKF** has been independently assessed according to the FTSE4Good criteria, and has satisfied the requirements for remaining a member of the FTSE4Good Index Series. The company received a 4,7 rating out of 5 for the newly-launched Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) factors.

Global steel processing technology supplier **SMS Siemag** has made a substantial investment in the local economy, following its successful acquisition of leading southern African submerged arc furnace engineering services and technology equipment provider, Metix, on behalf of the SMS Group.

The Minister for Energy, Dipuo Peters, has confirmed her Department's approval of the Cookhouse Wind Energy Facility project to be carried out in Eastern Cape, by **Suzlon Group**, the world's fifth-largest wind turbine supplier. This project will utilise Suzlon's 2,1 MW turbines.

UMT Consulting SA has received the award for Microsoft Partner of the Year in the Project and Portfolio Management category at the Microsoft Partner Summit in Durban. This award is a crowning achievement in a year which also saw the company become the first in Africa and Middle East to achieve the new Gold Competency for Project and Portfolio Management, one of only a handful of companies worldwide to have achieved this.