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**ATS AUTOMATION COMPLETES ACQUISITION OF ATW AUTOMATION  
BUSINESSES IN USA AND EUROPE**

Cambridge, Ontario (January 5, 2011) – ATS Automation Tooling Systems Inc. (“ATS” or the “Company”) today announced that the acquisition of the majority of Assembly & Test Worldwide, Inc.’s U.S.-based and German automation and test systems businesses (collectively “ATW”), previously announced on December 6, 2010, has been completed.

**About ATS**

ATS Automation provides innovative, custom designed, built and installed manufacturing solutions to many of the world's most successful companies. Founded in 1978, ATS uses its industry-leading knowledge and global capabilities to serve the sophisticated automation systems' needs of multinational customers in industries such as life sciences, computer/electronics, energy, automotive and consumer products. It also leverages its many years of experience and skills to fulfill the specialized automation product manufacturing requirements of customers. Through Photowatt, ATS participates in the growing solar energy industry. ATS employs approximately 3000 people at 21 manufacturing facilities in Canada, the United States, Europe, Southeast Asia and China. The Company's shares are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol ATA. Visit the Company's website at [www.atsautomation.com](http://www.atsautomation.com).

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