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BOC India announces Q3 net profits at Rs.17.34 crores

Kolkata, India – 18 October 2011: BOC India Limited, a member of The Linde Group, announced its unaudited financial results for the third quarter ended 30 September 2011, which were approved by the Company's Board of Directors at its meeting held earlier today.

The Company reported a gross turnover of Rs.326.07 crores during Q3 of 2011 as compared to Rs.250.01 crores achieved in the corresponding quarter of 2010. The Gases business recorded a sales growth of about 6 percent. The turnover of the Project Engineering Division during the quarter doubled as compared to the previous year quarter due to achievement of milestones on several ongoing projects.

The Company recorded profit before interest and exceptional items of Rs.24.95 crores for the quarter ended 30 September 2011, and the net profit during the quarter amounted to Rs.17.34 crores. The net profit is lower than the corresponding quarter of last year due to inflationary pressure and higher overheads for new business.

Commenting on the financial performance, Mr S K Menon, Managing Director, BOC India said, "BOC India's Project Engineering business successfully met its billing targets while continuing its focus on the execution of in-house projects. The Gases business grew its top-line in what was a difficult economic environment."

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About BOC India Limited:

BOC India Limited (BOCI), a member of The Linde Group, is the leader in gases business in India since 1935. BOCI provides a one-stop solution to all businesses for gas supply and related equipment and services. We manufacture cryogenic and non-cryogenic vessels and also design and commission projects. BOCI has excelled through successfully blending local innovation and adaptation with international expertise from The Linde Group. Be it for food processing, medical, domestic or industrial use, BOCI provides tailor-made solutions for customers, conforming to the strictest international standards of production and safety in the process.

For more information, please see BOC India Limited online at

<http://www.boc-india.com>

About The Linde Group:

The Linde Group is a world-leading gases and engineering company with around 49,100 employees in more than 100 countries worldwide. In the 2010 financial year, it achieved sales of EUR 12.868 bn (USD 17.9 bn). The strategy of The Linde Group is geared towards sustainable earnings-based growth and focuses on the expansion of its international business with forward-looking products and services. Linde acts responsibly towards its shareholders, business partners, employees, society and the environment – in every one of its business areas, regions and locations across the globe. Linde is committed to technologies and products that unite the goals of customer value and sustainable development.

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