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WaterHealth International Named a 2010 Global Cleantech 100 Company

Irvine, CA—October 13, 2010: Water Health International, a leader in providing sustainable decentralized access to clean, safe water to underserved communities around the world, today announced it has been named in the prestigious 2010 Global Cleantech 100, produced by the Cleantech Group. The list is produced as part of the Global Cleantech 100 program, run in collaboration with the Guardian News and Media and sponsored by Autodesk. The Global Cleantech 100 highlights the most promising private clean technology companies from across the world; companies that are most likely to make significant market impact over the next five to 10 years, in the eyes of the world’s cleantech experts.

“We are pleased that the Cleantech Group recognizes the significant potential impact of WaterHealth International,” said Sanjay Bhatnagar, Chief Executive Officer of WaterHealth International. “WaterHealth has already installed more than 300 water purification systems around the world and is serving more than 1 million underserved people. We are now poised to achieve significant scale and are installing new systems in about 50 communities every month. This rate will increase in the future and our ability to scale makes us confident that WaterHealth will play a leading role in addressing the global safe water crisis.”

The Global Cleantech 100 list is derived by the Cleantech Group, who draws on its own data and research, and combines it with the weighted qualitative judgments of both hundreds of cleantech industry insiders, and the viewpoints of a 60-strong, international expert panel. To qualify for the list, companies must be independent, for-profit, cleantech companies that are not listed on any major stock exchange.

4,616 nominations were received from 3,260 unique sources, giving the judges a long list of 3,138 companies drawn from 50 countries. 218 companies were presented to the expert panel for final input. The end result was the selection of 100 companies from 14 countries.

The 60-strong expert panel is drawn from well-respected organizations in cleantech innovation from around the world, including leading investors such as Emerald Technology Ventures, Generation Investment Management, Kleiner Perkins Caulfield & Byers, New Enterprise Associates, SAM Private Equity, Sequoia Capital, and VantagePoint Venture Partners, and from a wide variety of corporations such as BASF, GE, Honeywell, IBM, Procter & Gamble, Siemens, and Veolia.
“The second Global Cleantech 100 shines a spotlight on which companies and which technology areas the global innovation community is currently most excited about, from a commercial standpoint,” said Richard Youngman, MD, Europe & VP, Global Research at Cleantech Group. “Cleantech is a broader phenomenon than just clean energy. The wider issues of resource scarcity are starting to gain attention and traction.”

“The Global Cleantech 100 list represents the most rigorous, serious attempt made yet to provide a scorecard of the progress that is being made by cleantech companies. This year’s expert panel involved a greater level of corporate participation than last year’s, and we also saw an increased presence of companies from China in the Top 100 list – both trends that we at VantagePoint see as critical signs of the times," commented Stephan Dolezalek, the CleanTech Group Leader at VantagePoint Point Venture Partners.

The list of 100 companies was unveiled today at Cleantech Forum New York, and is available online at http://cleantech.com/GlobalCleantech100.cfm and at http://www.guardian.co.uk/globalcleantech100.

About WaterHealth International
WaterHealth’s vision is to play a central role in bringing safe, quality water to the two billion people around the world who do not have it. WaterHealth Centres allow underserved communities rapid access to safe water at an affordable cost, helping solve the global challenge of waterborne diseases. The company has a sustainable business model under which it constructs a WaterHealth Centre and provides long-term operations, maintenance and quality services to communities for a low, initial one-time investment. The company’s website is www.waterhealth.com.

About the Cleantech Group, LLC
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