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### PORSCHE ITALIA, Q8 AND ENEL X JOIN FORCES TO EXPAND THE ULTRAFAST CHARGING NETWORK ACROSS ITALY

**Padua/Rome, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021** – A further acceleration in the development of electric mobility: this is the shared goal of the recent agreement between three exceptional partners, namely Porsche Italia, Q8 and Enel X. A collaborative effort to install ultrafast charging stations at 20 Q8 service areas by the end of 2021. Thanks to their 300 kW capacity, the High Power Charging (HPC) stations operated by Enel X allow drivers to recharge two electric vehicles at the same time in just a few minutes. Once active, the project's ultrafast stations will be integrated into the Porsche mobility ecosystem and be visible on the Enel X JuicePass app, adding to the company's more than 12,000 charging points throughout Italy.

The agreement also provides for one of the chargers and the associated parking area of each active station to be reserved for Porsche customers only, who will then be able to recharge their Taycan and the future electric cars of the Stuttgart company even more easily and rapidly. At the charging points inside the Q8 filling stations, the Taycan, with its 800 volt architecture, will be able to recharge to 80% in about 20 minutes.

*“Electric mobility is increasingly establishing itself as a winning choice, and not just as an alternative to traditional mobility. The agreement with Q8 and Porsche is a demonstration of how all the players in the supply chain are working together in harmony to foster this change”, said **Augusto Raggi**, Head of Enel X Italy. “We are working to install the largest possible number of ultrafast charging stations throughout the country because we strongly believe that those who drive electric cars not only need to be able to count on an easily accessible and resilient network of charging points, but also have the opportunity to fill up with power as fast as possible.”*

**Pietro Innocenti**, CEO of Porsche Italia, remarked: *“Thanks to this collaborative effort, we are able to offer our customers a complete package of charging solutions, making it even easier to embrace zero-emission mobility. This includes developing a smart ecosystem with multiple charging options, at home and on the go, including ultrafast charging stations at our 30 Italian Porsche Centers and charging facilities at prestigious destinations, such as the restaurants and hotels that normally serve our customers.”*

*“In this period of energy transition, Q8’s objective is to contribute to the creation of the infrastructure necessary for sustainable mobility so as to meet the needs of all consumers, including the increasingly numerous population of those who have chosen hybrid or full electric cars,” declared **Giuseppe Zappalà**, CEO of Q8. “Thanks to reputable partners such as Porsche Italia and Enel X, the Q8 network will be strengthened even further by providing an electric recharging experience that mimics the time and methods it takes to top up at traditional refuelling stations”.*

The first ultrafast charging station will be inaugurated at the Q8 service area of Paderno Dugnano (province of Milan), followed by other service stations at other key junctions of daily traffic and seasonal tourism, including Carate Brianza (province of Monza Brianza), Erbusco (province of Brescia), Padua,



Perugia, Rome, Naples, Polignano a Mare (province of Bari), Brindisi, and Porto Rotondo (province of Oristano).

**Enel X** is Enel's global business line dedicated to the development of innovative products and digital solutions in the sectors where energy is showing the highest potential for transformation: cities, homes, industry, and electric mobility. The company is a global leader in the advanced energy solution sector, managing services such as demand response with around 6 GW of total capacity at a worldwide level and 116 MW of storage capacity installed around the globe. It is also a leading player in the electric mobility sector, with around 170,000 public and private EV charging points available around the world. Since its creation, innovation and sustainability have been at the center of Enel X's strategy, with the circular economy - the perfect combination of these two elements - applied to many Enel X products and services.

**Q8** is one of the leading players in the Italian energy sector, ensuring the mobility of people and goods. The company is active across the entire integrated downstream cycle, from refining to the final consumer, thanks to a comprehensive network of service stations distributed throughout the country and to a logistics system developed to support the entire distribution network. Working through other Group companies, Q8 is also active in direct sales (network extra) of lubricants and fuels for the marine and aviation markets. At the heart of Q8's strategy is the sustainability of the business, which is pursued by synergistically combining environmental protection, social development and economic growth.

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