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LJ INTERNATIONAL'S ENZO RETAIL JEWELRY STORES MARKS GROWTH MILESTONE -- OPENING OF 138TH LOCATION AND 55TH OPENING SINCE CURRENT EXPANSION START IN 2010

Retail Chain Is On Track to Meet Target of 200 Stores by End of 2011

HONG KONG--(Marketwire - 02/17/11) - LJ International Inc. (LJI) (NASDAQ:JADE - News) today announced the opening of its 138th ENZO retail jewelry store, in Wuxi, China. This is the 55th store to be opened since the beginning of the current expansion of the ENZO chain in 2010.

The store is ENZO's fourth in Wuxi, a third-tier city of nearly 4.5 million in population in the Shanghai region, and is located in the upscale Wuxi Commercial Mansion Grand Orient Department Store.

The ENZO expansion began in the spring of 2010 when the chain had just 95 stores. Since then, 55 stores have been opened and twelve existing stores closed, for a net gain of 43.

"The latest ENZO store opening keeps us on track to meet our goal of 200 stores by end of 2011," said LJI Chairman and CEO Yu Chuan Yih. "It also typifies the economic and demographic 'sweet spot' we are looking for in all our store locations. The Wuxi Commercial Mansion Grand Orient Department Store is a prestigious, up-market retail venue in one of China's most prosperous and forward-looking cities. We expect to be announcing many more openings similar to this as the year 2011 progresses."

About LJ International

LJ International Inc. (LJI) (NASDAQ:JADE - News) is engaged in the designing, branding, marketing and distribution of a full range of jewelry. It has built its global business on a vertical integration strategy and an unwavering commitment to quality and service. Through its ENZO stores, LJI is now a major presence in China's fast-growing retail jewelry market. As a wholesaler, it distributes to fine jewelers, department stores, national jewelry chains and electronic and specialty retailers throughout North America and Western Europe. Its product lines incorporate all major categories, including earrings, necklaces, pendants, rings and bracelets.

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