



Bpifrance's strategic funding of €10 million to accelerate FDE's lowcarbon energy production in Europe

Pontpierre, France, March 13th, 2024 – FDE (Euronext: FDE - ISIN: FR0013030152), a carbon negative energy producer, has announced that it has secured **two strategic loans from Bpifrance** for a **total amount of €10 million**, significantly reinforcing its investment capacity.

This major financial operation has been secured under **favorable conditions**, underlining the **renewed confidence of institutional financial partners** in FDE's business model, whose resilience is proven by recurring and strong cash flows combined with a solid balance sheet.

Structured financings for sustainable growth

The "Prêt Croissance Relance" with a 10-year term will enable FDE to accelerate its strategic expansion, both in France and internationally, beyond its existing projects and secured portfolio.

At the same time, the "Prêt Vert" with a 5-year term benefits from a 50% guarantee from the national fund "Fonds Prêt Vert 4" as part of the Plan France Relance. This funding is specifically intended to foster the impact of FDE environmental initiatives, which aim to avoid more than 20 million tons of CO₂ emissions annually by 2030.

Measurable environmental performance

With a currently installed electrical production capacity of 22.5 MW, FDE already avoids more than 3.5 million tons of CO₂ equivalent each year, thereby positioning the Group as a key player in the European energy transition.

Strategic expansion in fast growing markets

These additional financial resources will enable FDE to accelerate its development in promising strategic segments, such as **low-carbon hydrogen in France and internationally**, thus consolidating its position as an innovative key player in the energy sector.

Julien Moulin, Chairman of FDE, comments: "This structured financing demonstrates the solidity of our business model and the confidence of financial institutions in our sustainable growth strategy. These new resources will enable us to accelerate our development while strengthening our positive environmental impact, thereby creating significant value for our shareholders and all our stakeholders."

Yannick Da Costa, Regional Director of Bpifrance Lille, comments: "FDE perfectly embodies the type of innovative company that Bpifrance is committed to supporting as part of the energy transition. Its unique model combining economic performance and measurable environmental impact represents a particularly attractive, perfectly aligned investment case."

Financial outlook confirmed for 2030

- Annual revenues more than €175 million
- EBITDA above 85 million euros
- Over 20 million tons of CO₂ eq emissions avoided per annum

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FDE is an independent multi-energy producer dedicated to making Net Zero happen.

As a specialist in local energy systems and the circular economy, FDE capitalizes on its industrial knowhow ranging from engineering, energy production to CO2 storage to provide energy solutions that combine carbon footprint reduction with better resilience of the associated eco-systems.

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