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Successful launch of AREVA's first bond issue

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AREVA today launched and priced successfully a EUR 2.250 billion inaugural bond issue, comprising a EUR 1.250 billion 7-year tranche (bond due in September 2016) with an annual coupon of 3.875% and a EUR 1 billion 15-year tranche (bond due in September 2024) with an annual coupon of 4.875%.

The order book was closed in less than 10 minutes, with a final size exceeding EUR 16 billion.

This bond issue will lengthen significantly the average maturity of AREVA's debt and support the group's development program.

AREVA's long-term debt is rated 'A' with "stable" outlook by Standard & Poor's.

CALYON Crédit Agricole CIB, HSBC, J.P. Morgan and Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking acted as bookrunner for this bond issue.

"AREVA is pleased with investors' interest in this first bond issue. This success demonstrates their confidence in the group's strategy." commented Alain-Pierre Raynaud, AREVA's Chief Financial Officer.

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All over the world, AREVA provides its customers with solutions for carbon-free power generation and electricity transmission. With its knowledge and expertise in these fields, the group has a leading role to play in meeting the world's energy needs.

Ranked first in the global nuclear power industry, AREVA's unique integrated offering covers every stage of the fuel cycle, reactor design and construction, and related services. In addition, the group is developing a portfolio of operations in renewable energies. AREVA is also a world leader in electricity transmission and distribution and offers its customers a complete range of solutions for greater grid stability and energy efficiency.

Sustainable development is a core component of the group's industrial strategy. Its 75,000 employees work every day to make AREVA a responsible industrial player that is helping to supply ever cleaner, safer and more economical energy to the greatest number of people.