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Start of the Simplified Public Exchange Offer on AREVA Investment Certificates

one ordinary share for one investment certificate

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expiration date: May 11, 2011

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AREVA announces the start of the Simplified Public Exchange Offer (SPEO) initiated by the CEA on AREVA Investment Certificates (ICs) listed for trading on NYSE Euronext Paris (compartment B) under ISIN code FR0004275832.

The exchange ratio is one ordinary share (with one voting right) for each IC.

The offer period shall end on May 11, 2011.

During this same period, holders of non-voting preferred shares listed for trading on NYSE Euronext Paris (compartment B) under ISIN code FR0010986190 may exercise their right to voluntarily convert those shares into ordinary shares in accordance with AREVA's by-laws.

Holders of ICs and non-voting preferred shares interested in participating in the proposed transactions are invited to contact their brokers, who will provide all necessary information.

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