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Biomass: AREVA-led consortium awarded 155 M€ contract

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AREVA, Dutch civil works company Ballast Nedam and Finnish boiler supplier Metso Power Oy, have been awarded a contract by Eneco, one of the main Dutch utilities, to build a biomass power plant in Delfzijl, in northern Netherlands. The total value of the consortium's order amounts to 155 million euros.

The AREVA group will lead the consortium and will be in charge of designing, building and installing the 49 MW plant fueled with recycled wood. It will also provide testing and commissioning services.

Once in operation, the biomass unit will supply green electricity to meet the needs of 120,000 households and save 250,000 tons of CO₂ emissions annually.

The new plant is scheduled to begin commercial operation in 2013.

Xavier Hurbin, CEO of AREVA's Bioenergy Business Unit, declared: "With 2.5 GW of installed biomass capacity in the world, this new success strengthens AREVA's position as a leading supplier of turnkey technological solutions for biomass-fired power plants."

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Ranked first in the global nuclear power industry, AREVA's unique integrated offering to utilities covers every stage of the fuel cycle, nuclear reactor design and construction, and related services. The group is also expanding in renewable energies – wind, solar, bioenergies, hydrogen and storage – to be one of the top three in this sector worldwide in 2012.

With these two major offers, AREVA's 48,000 employees are helping to supply ever safer, cleaner and more economical energy to the greatest number of people.