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Manufacture of MOX fuel in motion

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## Orano signs MOX\* fuel fabrication contract with a Japanese customer

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Orano has signed a contract with Japan's NFI (Nuclear Fuel Industries Ltd) for the fabrication of 32 MOX fuel assemblies for the Takahama 3 and 4 reactors operated by Kansai Electric Power Company Inc.

The fabrication of these MOX fuel assemblies will take place in the production workshops of the Orano Melox plant in Chusclan (Gard).

The supply of MOX fuel assemblies for Kansai Electric Power Company Inc. is a follow-up to agreements signed with Japanese utilities stretching back over several decades.

To date, 44 reactors worldwide have generated electricity from MOX fuel since 1972.

Pascal Aubret, Director of Orano's Recycling business unit, declared: "This new contract reinforces the long-standing relationship with Kansai Electric. We are very proud of our Japanese partner's renewed confidence in our expertise. This choice underlines the relevance of recycling for our customers as a responsible and efficient solution for managing their used fuel."

## About Orang

Orano transforms nuclear materials so that they can be used to support the development of society, first and foremost in the field of energy.

The group offers products and services with high added value throughout the entire nuclear fuel cycle, from raw materials to wastetreatment. Its activities, from mining to dismantling, as well as in conversion, enrichment, recycling, logistics and engineering, contribute to the production of low carbon electricity. Orano and its 16,000 employees bring to bear their expertise and their mastery of cutting-edge technology, as well as their permanent search for innovation and unwavering dedication to safety, to serve their customers in France and abroad. Orano, giving nuclear energy its full value.

<sup>\*</sup> Mixture of uranium and plutonium oxides. MOX offers a means of recycling the plutonium from used fuels.