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Séchilienne-Sidec has been informed of the approval of the safeguard plan of Financière Hélios, by decision of the Commercial Court of Paris on September 30th 2009.

Financière Hélios, a company controlled by funds managed by Apax Partners SA and Altamir Amboise, is the main shareholder of Séchilienne-Sidec.

For more information please visit: www.financiere-helios.com.

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About Séchilienne-Sidec

Founded 25 years ago, Séchilienne-Sidec is an independent energy producer specialised in electricity generation in medium size coal/biomass, photovoltaic and wind power plants. Due to its technical expertise, its project management experience and the quality of its teams of engineers, the Group manages all stages of a power plant's life cycle: design, finance, construction and operation, all over the world and more specifically in complex environments. The Group had a total operating capacity of 584 Megawatts at 30 June 2009.

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