

EDF: £ 1.25 billion 30-year bond issue

EDF (AA- S&P / Aa3 Moody's) launched today a 30-year bond issue in sterling pound, for a total amount of \pounds 1.25 billion, with a 5.50% annual coupon.

This issue is part of the active financial policy initiated for more than a year by EDF with a view to lengthening the average maturity of the Group's gross debt. This stands at 9.1 years after this issue against 8.6 as of December 31st 2010, and with no impact on the average cost of debt which stands at 4.2%

In addition, through this issue the Group aims at matching up its long-term debt with its UK long-term business' earnings, while enjoying favorable market conditions.

EDF is a long-run key player in the UK power market through a strong industrial balanced upstream-downstream position. Given its circa 13 GW of installed capacity, of which 9 GW nuclear, and the extension plan of its nuclear plants' lifespan, EDF Energy is the number one power producer and the leader in low-carbon electricity generation in the UK. This position is balanced by a portfolio of over 5.5 million customers' accounts over all segments, which gives it the leading position in electricity supply.

EDF will continue its investments in the UK participating in the development of the supply of cleaner energy.

The EDF Group, one of the leaders in the European energy market, is an integrated energy company active in all areas of the business: generation, transmission, distribution, energy supply and trading. The Group is the leading electricity producer in Europe. In France, it has mainly nuclear and hydraulic production facilities where 95% of the electricity output is CO_2 -free. EDF's transmission and distribution subsidiaries in France operate 1,285,000 km of low and medium voltage overhead and underground electricity lines and around 100,000 km of high and very high voltage networks. The Group is involved in supplying energy and services to approximately 28 million customers in France. The Group generated consolidated sales of \in 65.2 billion in 2010, of which 44.5% was achieved outside of France. EDF is listed on the Paris Stock Exchange and is a member of the CAC 40 index.



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