

Financial information

Successful bond refinancing

Rueil-Malmaison (France), July 9, 2010 – Schneider Electric today announced the launch of two bond issues for a total of €800 million and the partial buy-back of its July 2013 bond.

The intent of these transactions is to refinance part of the Group's debt, notably the upcoming €900 million bond maturing in August, and to extend the average debt duration. The partial buy-back of the July 2013 bond will also lead to a reduction of the cost of financing from 2011 onwards.

- The first issue is a €300 million bond maturing in July 2016, which was priced at mid-swap +73bp, leading to a fixed coupon of 2.875%.
- The second issue is a €500 million bond maturing in July 2020, which was priced at mid-swap +88bp, leading to a fixed coupon of 3.625%.
- Schneider Electric is also launching an offer for the partial buy-back of its bond maturing July 2013, which bears a fixed coupon of 6.75%. The offer period lasts until July 16, 2010. A one-off financial charge related to this buy-back will be recorded in the second half of 2010.

The bond issues, made as part of Schneider Electric EMTN program, were significantly oversubscribed with total orders amounting to about € 3.8 billion.

About Schneider Electric

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