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Successful launch of AREVA's new 10-year maturity bond issue totalling 750 million euros

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AREVA today launched and priced successfully a 750 million euro bond issue due on November 6, 2019 (10-year maturity) with an annual coupon of 4.375%.

Demand rapidly reached 4 billion euros, leading to the anticipated closure of the order book.

This bond issue completes the 7-year and the 15-year tranches of the 2.25 billion euro issue that took place on September 11, 2009. It allows the group to further lengthen the average maturity of its debt and strengthen the global plan to support AREVA's development program.

Long-term debt is rated "A" by Standard and Poor's with a "stable" outlook.

BNP Paribas, Deutsche Bank and Natixis acted as bookrunner for this bond issue.

Alain-Pierre Raynaud, AREVA's Chief Financial Officer said: "this long term issue completes AREVA's bond program. Terms and conditions prove once again market's confidence in the group's financial strength and in its strategy".

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All over the world, AREVA provides its customers with solutions for carbon-free power generation and electricity transmission. With its knowledge and expertise in these fields, the group has a leading role to play in meeting the world's energy needs.

Ranked first in the global nuclear power industry, AREVA's unique integrated offering covers every stage of the fuel cycle, reactor design and construction, and related services. In addition, the group is developing a portfolio of operations in renewable energies. AREVA is also a world leader in electricity transmission and distribution and offers its customers a complete range of solutions for greater grid stability and energy efficiency.

Sustainable development is a core component of the group's industrial strategy. Its 75,000 employees work every day to make AREVA a responsible industrial player that is helping to supply ever cleaner, safer and more economical energy to the greatest number of people.