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**PRESS RELEASE**

**AREVA launches a new 6-year bond issue totalling 500 million euros**

**Paris, September 28, 2011**

AREVA launched and priced today a 500-million euro bond issue due on October 5, 2017 (6-year maturity) with an annual coupon of 4.625 %.

This bond issue completes the 7-year and the 15-year tranches issued on September 11, 2009, the 10-year tranche issued on October 23, 2009 and the 10-year tranche issued on September 8, 2010, so that total AREVA's outstanding debt issues amount to 4.25 billion euros.

It secures the long-term financing needs of the group.

AREVA is rated "BBB+" by Standard and Poor's with a negative outlook.

BNP Paribas, J.P. Morgan, Santander and Société Générale Corporate & Investment Banking acted as bookrunners for this bond issue.

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AREVA supplies solutions for power generation with less carbon. Its expertise and unwavering insistence on safety, security, transparency and ethics are setting the standard, and its responsible development is anchored in a process of continuous improvement.

Ranked first in the global nuclear power industry, AREVA's unique integrated offering to utilities covers every stage of the fuel cycle, nuclear reactor design and construction, and related services. The group is also expanding in renewable energies – wind, solar, bioenergies, hydrogen and storage – to be one of the top three in this sector worldwide in 2012.

With these two major offers, AREVA's 48,000 employees are helping to supply ever safer, cleaner and more economical energy to the greatest number of people.