



# ALBIOMA

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## **ALBIOMA EMPLOYEES TO BENEFIT FROM VALUE CREATED FOR SHAREHOLDERS**

First issue of free shares under the 2012 Bonus Share Allocation plan

On 14 March 2012, shareholders attending Albioma's Ordinary and Extraordinary General Meeting approved a new growth strategy for the industry leader in energy recovery from bagasse, as well as biomass more generally.

To align the interests of the workforce with those of the Group, a resolution proposing the free allocation of up to 810,000 bonus shares, representing 2.7% of the total share capital, was also adopted at the General Meeting.

The shares are to be vested in three equal tranches, respectively conditional upon the six-month moving average share price reaching threshold values of €18.50, €22.50 and €26.50 during the period between 26 July 2014 and 26 January 2015.

The new strategy is bearing fruit, driven in particular by the recently announced new projects in Overseas France and Brazil. Albioma's share price has risen by more than 80% since 26 July 2012, and the first threshold of €18.50 was reached on 26 July 2014, triggering vesting of up to approximately 270,000 shares over the period between 26 July 2014 and 13 January 2016, including 197,969 shares issued on 30 July 2014.

Jacques Pétry explains: *"It is important to ensure that the men and women who devote their talent and energy to Albioma benefit in return from the value created for the Group's shareholders. We are delighted to be organising our first ever bonus share allocation, which underscores the success of our strategy and the dedication of our personnel."*

Next on the agenda: release (post-trading) of revenue figures for the third quarter of the 2014 financial year on October 28, 2014.



## APPENDIX

### INFORMATION REFERRED TO IN SECTION (5°) OF ARTICLE 212-4 AND SECTION (6°) OF ARTICLE 212-5 OF THE GENERAL REGULATIONS OF THE FRENCH FINANCIAL MARKETS AUTHORITY (*AUTORITÉ DES MARCHÉS FINANCIERS – AMF*)

The following information has been made available to the public in accordance with the provisions of Articles 212-4 (5°) and 212-5 (6°) of the General Regulations of the French financial markets authority (*Autorité des Marchés Financiers – AMF*) as well as Appendix IV to AMF Instruction no. 2005-11 of 13 December 2005, relating to information that must be published in the event of a public offering or admission for trading of financial securities on regulated markets.

<b>Date of General Meeting at which the bonus share allocation was authorised</b>	14 March 2012
<b>Maximum number of shares authorised for issue at the General Meeting</b>	810,000
<b>Maximum number of shares authorised for issue on the date of this publication</b>	803,684
<b>Number of shares to be issued on the date of this publication</b>	197,969
<b>Date on which the new securities will begin trading on the Euronext regulated market in Paris</b>	1 August 2014
<b>Reason for issue</b>	Vesting of shares in accordance with the bonus share plan established by the Board of Directors at the Board meeting held on 26 July 2012
<b>Nature and class of shares issued</b>	Ordinary shares immediately equivalent to existing shares
<b>Restrictions applicable to the issued shares</b>	Shares shall remain frozen for a period of two years with effect from 26 July 2014, except in case of death or serious disability of the beneficiary during said lock-in period, it being noted that the Chairman and CEO is required, following the end of the two-year lock-in period, to retain at least 25% of the vested shares in registered form until the expiry of his term of office as Chairman or CEO of the Company.
<b>Subscription price or pricing arrangements</b>	n/a (free allocation)
<b>Total offering amount</b>	n/a (free allocation)
<b>Subscription period</b>	n/a (free allocation)



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#### **ABOUT ALBIOMA**

Using its unique expertise in exploiting bagasse (a by-product of sugar cane), Albioma is able to produce electric energy from every type of biomass through a cogeneration process. The Group is also a pioneer of agricultural anaerobic digestion in France. Its ambition is to be recognized as agri-businesses' partner of choice for turning biomass into a highly-effective source of energy without conflict over use. In addition, Albioma develops and operates high-margin solar projects.

**For further information, please visit [www.albioma.com](http://www.albioma.com)**

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