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## ALBIOMA, FIRST FRENCH SOLAR ENERGY PRODUCER TO EARN TRIPLE QSE CERTIFICATION

Albioma, a major player in solar energy production in Overseas France, with a capacity of 75 MWp, has obtained triple QSE (Quality/Safety/Environment) certification for all its Solar Power business. This is the first multi-site organisation to receive certification in the three standards simultaneously.

This triple certification covers design, development, construction and operation.

An integrated management system, audited by AFNOR experts and meeting the requirements of international standards in the fields of quality (ISO 9001 v2015), health and safety (ILO-OSH 2001) and environment (ISO 14001 v2015) was implemented for the Group's Solar Power business.

A real corporate project, the triple QSE certification rewards Albioma's commitment to increasing the operational efficiency of its solar power plants, characterised in particular by increased availability. The certification was also obtained thanks to the systematic use of good practices in terms of safety, allowing the Solar Power business to aim for the goal of zero accidents in the workplace.

Finally, on an environmental level, the Group is developing ground-mounted photovoltaic projects on unrecovered land without conflicts of use.

Anthony Lucas, Head of the Group's Solar Power business, said: "Obtaining the triple QSE certification is the reward for all our employees' hard work, proving our approach for the continuous improvement in quality, safety and respect for the environment. We thereby confirm our intention of producing solar power which is capable of contributing effectively to the energy transition of the French overseas territories."

Next on the agenda: revenue figures for the third quarter of the 2016 financial year, on 26 October 2016 (before trading).

## **ABOUT ALBIOMA**

Albioma is an independent energy producer and world leader in the conversion of biomass into a highly-effective source of energy, in collaboration with its agri-business partners. For more than 20 years, Albioma has operated power plants recovering bagasse, a fibrous by-product of sugar cane, replaced by coal outside the sugar cane harvest. Its unique expertise has enabled Albioma to establish itself as an indispensable partner in the sugar and ethanol industry in the French overseas territories and Mauritius. Albioma is now developing power plants using only biomass, which recover, in addition to bagasse, green waste and wood industry residue. The Group also operates a highly-efficient photovoltaic installation and agricultural anaerobic digestion units. In 2014, the Group, which already had a presence in mainland France, the French overseas territories and Mauritius, began operating in Brazil, the world's leading sugar cane producer.

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