

Funding of € 4.2 million to support development in Belgium

Forbach, France, December 19, 2019. La Française de l'Énergie (Euronext: LFDE - ISIN: FR0013030152), leader in industrial ecology, announces the signing, by its subsidiary Gazonor Benelux, of **a loan with Triodos bank for € 4.2 million to refinance its green electricity production facilities set up in Anderlues, Belgium.**

This new loan with a fixed interest rate of 1.65% p.a. and a 6 years maturity once again demonstrates the capacity of the Group to optimize its costs related to financing, while moving along with its development. Following the implementation of the latest financing deals (BPI France Financement financing in October and Triodos), the Group continues to improve its investment capacity while maintaining a very good gross debt over consolidated equity ratio below 35%.

Since the start of production at the end of April 2019, the Belgian site has produced more than 14 GWh and generated turnover of € 502K. The Anderlues site, which currently has 3MW of installed capacity, should soon see the installation of additional cogenerations with the objective to double its installed capacity.

The Wallonia government actively supports the development of La Française de l'Énergie that help reducing the region's energy dependence and its carbon footprint. Similar to its achievements in France, the Group has succeeded in creating a new green energy sector and is positioning itself as a major player in the ecological transition in Belgium.

In accordance with its development plan, La Française de l'Énergie will continue to set up more green electricity production sites with the installation of new cogeneration in Belgium and Hauts-de-France.

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