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**PRESS RELEASE**

## **AREVA TA wins important contract from Airbus**

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As the lead for a consortium of companies<sup>1</sup>, AREVA TA signed an important contract for delivery of the Airbus A350 XWB pre-FAL<sup>2</sup>.

The contract covers the design, manufacture and installation of production equipment assets for the body of the new Airbus A350 XWB at the latter's plants in Saint-Nazaire, France, and Hamburg and Nordenham, Germany. Valued at a total of 200 million euros, 20% of which corresponds to AREVA TA's scope, the contract calls for the consortium to harmonize the A350 XWB body assembly lines at all three sites and implement related technologies.

As architect-engineer for the project, AREVA TA has prime responsibility for harmonization of the production facilities in question. MCE and ECA CNAi will provide the design and installation of the assembly and installation lines.

Alain Gauvin, Marketing and Sales Director of AREVA TA, said *"We're very proud to have won this contract for the A350 XWB program. This is a confirmation of the value of our commercial solutions for the engineering of complex industrial facilities."*

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<sup>1</sup> The team includes AREVA TA, the Austrian company MCE and the French company ECA CNAi.

<sup>2</sup> The pre-FAL is where major components of the aircraft are pre-assembled at the different sites before being transferred to the final Airbus assembly site in Toulouse.

### **ABOUT US**

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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 expanding its 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.

**AREVA TA**, as a business unit of AREVA, proposes its customers solutions (vital systems, engineering, training, services) to fit with high requirements of safety and availability of complex industrial programs in defense, energy, aeronautics, transportation and industry.