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A contract worth 190 million euro

Alstom Hydro to build South-East Asia's largest hydro power plant in Vietnam

Alstom Hydro* will provide the state-owned utility, Electricity of Vietnam (EVN), with all the electro-mechanical equipment for the largest hydro power plant in South-East Asia, with a planned capacity of 2400 MW, located in Son La, Vietnam. The contract, valued around 190 million euro, was signed today in Paris (France) by Philippe Cochet, President of Alstom Hydro, and Pham Le Thanh, President and CEO of EVN, in the presence of Nguyen Tan Dung, Prime Minister of Vietnam, François Fillon, Prime Minister of France, Martin Bouygues, Chairman and CEO of Bouygues, and Patrick Kron, Chairman and CEO of Alstom.

For the Son La project, located on the Da River, in Son La province about 340 kms north-west of Hanoi, Alstom Hydro's scope of supply includes design, engineering, manufacturing and delivery of six 400 MW Francis turbines and generators, and BOP (balance of plant), as well as training and supervision of installation, testing and commissioning. The first unit is scheduled for commissioning in 2010 and the last in 2012.

Once completed, the Son La hydro power plant is expected to generate about 10 billion kWh per year and will meet a significant part of the country's energy needs. Alstom Hydro has already provided the equipment for five hydro power plants in Vietnam, located from north to south of the country.

Philippe Cochet, President of Alstom Hydro, said: *"The Son La hydro power plant is of vital importance in meeting Vietnam's growing energy needs and we are honoured to be entrusted by EVN with this important project. The award of the contract is also confirmation of Alstom Hydro's advanced technology and of the superior efficiency of our turbines and generators."*

**Alstom Hydro is a joint venture between Alstom and Bouygues and has over 400GW of turbines and generators installed worldwide which represent more than 25% of the total global hydro power installed capacity.*

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