

PRESS RELEASE

Actelios S.p.A.: the business plan implementation moves ahead

- **The subsidiary company Actelios Solar S.p.A. has stipulated a loan contract through project financing for 13,1 MW photovoltaic projects.**
- **The disposal to Seci Energia (Maccaferri Group) of the 50% stake in Powercrop has been completed.**

Milan, 30 July 2010 - In line with the approved business plan, the subsidiary company Actelios Solar S.p.A. stipulated yesterday a loan contract through project financing with a pool of banks composed by Meliorbanca S.p.A. – Gruppo Banca Popolare dell'Emilia Romagna – , as Agent, Banca Popolare dell'Etruria e del Lazio S.C., Banca Agrileasing S.p.A. and Cassa di Risparmio di Bolzano S.p.A., assisted by Legance Law Firm in Milan and EOS Consulting in Rome.

The loan, for the total amount of 47 million euro, is destined to the realization of the photovoltaic plants at Cardonita, in the province of Enna (3.8 MW), Spinasantà, in the province of Catania (6 MW) and Sugherotorto, in the province of Ragusa (3.3 MW) for a total of 13,1 MW.

The three solar photovoltaic farms, that are expected to be connected to the grid by the end of 2010, will supply about 19 GWh per annum of electricity from renewable energy sources, thus avoiding the annual production of over 9,400 tons of carbon dioxide, as much as the emissions of about 3,900 high-efficiency cars calculated on an annual basis.

“The completed transaction strongly confirms the strategy for the development of the photovoltaic sector of Actelios - remarked Piero Manzoni, Managing of Actelios S.p.A. and CEO of Falck S.p.A. – that, thanks to these projects, will reach 16 MW solar energy plants operating or under construction”.

As anticipated in the press release of 23 June 2010, in line with the Group business plan aimed at reaching not only technology differentiation but also geographic differentiation for the production of renewable energy, on today's date Actelios S.p.A. has completed the disposal of its 50% stake in Powercrop, a company in joint venture with Seci Energia (Maccaferri Group) specialised in converting five sugar mills into biomass plants, all located in Italy.

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