

WFW ADVISES BAYWA R.E ON ACQUISITION OF FRENCH DEVELOPER ENERPOLE

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Watson Farley & Williams (“WFW”) has advised leading renewable energy developer BayWa r.e. on its acquisition of French wind and solar developer Enerpole, continuing the former’s strong growth in France.

Enerpole's project portfolio totals 600 MW, comprising 300 MW each of solar and wind capacity. Thanks to this acquisition, BayWa r.e. establishes its seventh office in France and strengthens its presence in the south western Occitanie region, where it already operates five solar farms. Its French project pipeline under development now amounts to 2.2 GW (1 GW of wind and 1.2 GW of solar).

Founded in 2005 in Carcassonne, Enerpole is one of the pioneers in the development of renewable energy in France and has long been a preferred partner of BayWa r.e.

The multidisciplinary WFW Paris team that advised BayWa r.e. was led by Regulatory and Public Law Partner Laurent Battoue, supported by Senior Associate Antoine Bois-Minot and Associates Anthony Pilon, Simon Dumontel and Marine Yzquierdo on the public law, regulatory and project contracts aspects of the transaction. Partner Thomas Rabain and Associates Arnaud Benezeth and Mohamed Douib led on corporate matters, with Partner Cyrille Gogny-Goubert and Associates Kodou Diouf and Catherine Masquelet advising on real estate law. Tax expertise was provided by Partner Romain Girtanner, Senior Associate H  l  ne Ibos and Associate Alice Paredes.

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