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- the acquisition from the Chinese energy company Envision and financing of the “Energie Entre Tille et Venelle” onshore wind project with a total installed capacity of 40 MW in the Burgundy region; and
- the acquisition and refinancing of the “Epine Marie Madeleine” onshore wind farm located in Northern French department Hauts-de-France, with a capacity of 36 MW and developed by Nordex and TTR.

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