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ALSTOM ANNOUNCES COMMITMENTS TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AT COP21 BY 2020

REDUCE TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS BY 20% TARGET

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ALSTOM REAFFIRMS ITS COMMITMENTS TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ON THE OCCASION OF COP21 TO REDUCE TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS-----

In recent years, Alstom's technical innovations have allowed significant reduction in the energy consumption of its trains. The company has set new targets for the energy efficiency of its solutions and operations by 2020: decrease the energy consumption of its transport solutions by 20% (compared to 2014 levels) (1) and the energy intensity of its own operations (factories, offices!) by 10%.-----

"We expect to reach our -20% target through better tracking of our solutions' energy performance using standardised assessment methodologies, deployment of the best available technologies on all types of trains, innovation for higher energy efficiency and collaboration with our customers and suppliers. In parallel, transport patterns must evolve. To keep global warming below the +2°C target (2), it will be imperative to move towards the modes that have the lowest carbon footprint and which are globally the most sustainable," said Cécile Texier, Sustainable Development Director at Alstom.-----

Alstom is participating in events around COP21. On 28 November, Alstom management has participated in the "Train to Paris" campaign, co-ordinated by UIC (3). The trains will bring delegates including national governments, NGOs, decision-makers and journalists from across Europe by train to Paris for COP21. The objective is to promote freight and passenger rail as a sustainable, low-carbon solution to climate change. On 6 December, Henri Poupart-Lafarge, Alstom's Executive Vice President, will participate in a plenary session at the Transport Day organised by UIC. Finally, on 7 December, there will be a debate organised by Fer de France (4) in Le Bourget, featuring Henri Poupart-Lafarge, as well as Spanish Transport Secretary of State, Julio Gomez Pomar and Keolis President, Jean-Pierre Farandou. The theme of this debate will be: "Sustainable mobility by 2030: which model for railway transport?" Live from COP21-Bourget

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