

## Mersen signs a framework agreement with ABB for its new range of wind turbine generators

**Paris, June 30, 2014** - Mersen (Euronext FR0000039620 – MRN), global expert in electrical specialties and graphite-based materials, is announcing the signature of an agreement with ABB in connection with the launch of ABB's new range of wind turbine generators.

This global framework deal covers the supply of a complete solution combining a slip-ring, brushholder and graphite brush, specially designed for ABB's new range of generators employing brush technology. This new ABB generator with unit capacity of between 1.5 MW and 3.5 MW can be used in the vast majority of wind turbine models currently sold around the world.

The slip-ring custom-developed by Mersen through its cooperation with ABB over several years meets the exacting quality and reliability standards set by ABB, one of the world's leading manufacturers of wind turbine generators. One of the most impressive features of Mersen's complete solution is that it reduces the need for maintenance on the most critical part of the wind turbine generator.

What's more, Mersen's global presence stands out as a clear advantage over its rivals, because its manufacturing base in Europe, China and India gives it the ability to manufacture identical products at several points around the world close to the end customer.

Under this renewable three-year framework agreement, Mersen has gained preferred supplier status with ABB. The Group anticipates delivering several hundred complete systems under the deal in 2014 before ramping up its output in the subsequent years.

This latest success demonstrates the pertinence of Mersen's strategy of pursuing innovation and developing complete solutions in partnership with industry leaders.



ABB new generator

Mersen slip-ring

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## About Mersen

Global expert in electrical specialties and graphite-based materials, Mersen designs innovative solutions to address its clients' specific needs to enable them to optimize their manufacturing process in sectors such as energy, transportation, electronics, chemical, pharmaceutical and process industries.

With 6,400 employees in over 35 countries, Mersen achieved consolidated sales of €739 million in 2013.

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