

PRESS RELEASE

EnviTec completes construction of sixth plant in France after just nine months of construction □
637 kW EnviTec biogas plant in France now in operation

Lohne, 14 November 2016 – “It’s a flagship project for the entire region,” enthuses Jean-Luc Da Lozzo, operator of the 637 kW EnviTec biogas plant in the French region of Belesta en Lauragais (Haute-Garonne), which is now operational. The plant, completed by North German plant engineers EnviTec Biogas in just nine months, heralds the start of a very special sustainability project by the customer. Da Lozzo runs a composting business that collects and processes organic waste: while dry and structurally complex materials are composted directly, liquid and moisture-rich waste is sent to the biogas plant. Supermarket waste is one of the materials accepted, and 16 stores run by an American fast food chain from the Toulouse region also send their biodegradable waste to Cler-Verts, the composting firm run by Da Lozzo and business partner Gérard Lanta.

“The vision of a sustainable closed-loop economy has become reality here,” says Christian Ernst, Managing Director of the EnviTec Biogas branch office in France. Organic waste from the region makes up 100% of the feedstock for the CLER ENR plant, which is “our first reference facility in the south of France.”

The plant was officially opened by Regional Council President Carole Delga, whose speech drew attention specifically to the staying power shown by Da Lozzo for his project: six long years went by before Da Lozzo saw his original idea of effectively recycling the region’s waste to generate energy being finally implemented. The biogas plant generates and sells some 5 million kWh of electricity, enough to meet the needs of about 950 households. The customer uses the thermal energy produced by power generation to heat the digester and pasteurisation system, and for drying work in the adjoining composting facility.

Around 60 of EnviTec’s customers joined local politicians in accepting the biogas all-rounder’s invitation to visit the plant and the larger project on the following day.

More information about Cler-Verts and the Organic Valley is available online:

<http://www.cler-verts.fr>

<http://www.organicvallee.fr/>

About EnviTec Biogas AG

EnviTec Biogas AG covers the entire value chain for the production of biogas, including the planning and turnkey construction of biogas plants and biogas upgrading plants as well as their commissioning. The company takes charge of biological and technical services on demand and also offers full plant and operational management. In addition, EnviTec also operates its own biogas plants. In 2011, EnviTec Biogas along with EnviTec Energy GmbH & Co. KG and its 100% subsidiary EnviTec Stromkontor GmbH & Co. KG expanded its business operations into the direct marketing of upgraded biomethane as well as the marketing of green electricity and balancing energy. With a presence in 17 countries worldwide, EnviTec Biogas AG is represented by its own companies, sales offices, strategic partners and joint ventures. In 2015, EnviTec generated revenue of €174.9 million and EBIT of € 3.4 million. The EnviTec Group currently has around 370 employees. EnviTec Biogas has been listed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange since July 2007.

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