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Successful completion of the €350 million share capital increase related to the proposed acquisition of Bostik

The share capital increase with preferential subscription rights launched by Arkema on 19 November 2014 as part of the financing of the proposed acquisition of Bostik¹ has been successfully completed. The gross proceeds of the issue amounts to €350,451,024, corresponding to the issue of 9,102,624 new shares.

Total subscription orders for this share capital increase represented a subscription rate of 290%:

- 8,890,163 new shares were subscribed by irrevocable entitlement (*à titre irréductible*), representing approximately 97.67 % of the total number of new shares to be issued;
- 17,520,311 new shares were requested subject to reduction (*à titre réductible*), and will, as a result, only be satisfied in part, representing 212,461 new shares.

After the issuance of hybrid securities completed in October, this share capital increase is the second step of the financing of the proposed acquisition of Bostik. As announced, the last step of the financing will be achieved by a forthcoming senior bond issuance comprised between €500 and €600 million.

The legal information and consultation procedures of works councils were recently finalized. The proposed acquisition of Bostik remains subject to the approval of relevant antitrust authorities.

"We are pleased with the success of this share capital increase which finalizes the second step of the financing of the proposed acquisition of Bostik and want to thank our shareholders for their support. We are convinced that this acquisition will bring to our Group a very good platform for growth for the years to come" stated Thierry Le Hénaff, Arkema's Chairman and CEO.

The settlement and delivery and the listing of the new shares on the regulated market of Euronext in Paris (Compartment A) are expected to take place on 15 December 2014. The new shares will carry full dividend rights and will be traded on the same trading line as Arkema's existing shares under the ISIN code FR0010313833. On this date, the share capital of Arkema will consist of 72,820,998 shares with a nominal value of €10 each.

¹ Project subject to the approval of the antitrust authorities in the relevant countries.

Information available to the public

A French language prospectus approved by the *Autorité des marchés financiers* (the "AMF") on 18 November 2014 under visa number 14-602 is comprised of (i) Arkema's reference document filed with the AMF under number D.14-0221 on 27 March 2014, (ii) the update to the reference document filed with the AMF under number D.14-0221-A01 on 18 November 2014, (iii) a securities note (the "*Note d'Opération*") and (iv) a summary of the prospectus (included in the *Note d'Opération*). Copies of the prospectus are available, without charge and upon request to Arkema at 420 rue d'Estienne d'Orves – 92705 Colombes, as well as on the websites of Arkema (www.arkema.com) and of the AMF (www.amf-france.org).

Arkema draws the public's attention to the risk factors described in particular in section 1.7 of the 2013 reference document, in section 1.5 of the update to the reference document and in chapter 2 of the *Note d'Opération*.

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