

Six companies fined for anticompetitive agreements in calls for tender organised by the French Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission for the Marcoule nuclear site

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Following a leniency application and dawn raids, the *Autorité de la concurrence* fined six companies in the engineering, maintenance, decommissioning and nuclear waste treatment services sector for engaging in anticompetitive agreements during calls for tender issued by the French Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission (*Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique et aux Energies Alternatives* - CEA) for its Marcoule site in the Gard region.

The *Autorité* considers that, given their nature, their purpose and the context in which they took place, these practices were anticompetitive by their very nature. It has therefore imposed penalties totalling 31,239,000 euros on Nuvia Process (a subsidiary of the Vinci Group), ENDEL (a former ENGIE subsidiary), Bouygues Construction Expertises, SNEF and SPIE Nucléaire.

As the *Autorité* granted the ONET Group the benefit of the leniency procedure, this company has received a full exemption from financial penalties.

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