



## **Boralex: Exclusivity agreement to acquire a portfolio of approximately 350 MW of wind power in France**

Montréal, Québec, December 16, 2015 – Boralex Inc. (“Boralex” or the “Corporation”) (TSX: BLX) has entered into an exclusivity agreement with private developers to acquire a portfolio of wind power projects of nearly 350 MW located in France.

The closing of the transaction would allow Boralex to acquire by 2018:

- 79 MW of ready-to-build projects (with commissioning dates scheduled during 2017 and 2018);
- 159 MW of projects at an advanced stage of development; and
- 118 MW of projects at preliminary stages of development.

This acquisition combined with projects currently under development by Boralex will bring Boralex’s portfolio of development projects in France to nearly 850 MW. Thus, the projects set to be commissioned over the next few years will be added to the 500 MW currently operated by Boralex in France.

“With this transaction, our position as France’s leading independent producer will be strengthened while confirming the French market as the cornerstone of our growth in the coming years,” stated President and Chief Executive Officer Patrick Lemaire.

Boralex continues its discussions with the sellers during this exclusivity period to sign a purchase agreement as soon as possible (the “Agreement”). The completion of this transaction is subject to the negotiation of the Agreement and related documentation as well as conditions customary for this type of transaction.

The ready-to-build projects will require investments of about €150 million (CAN\$ 225 million) and will benefit from the regulatory rate, including the projects at an advanced stage of development.

### **About Boralex**

*Boralex develops, builds and operates renewable energy power facilities in Canada, France and the United States. A leader in the Canadian market and France’s largest independent producer of onshore wind power, the Corporation is recognized for its solid experience in optimizing its asset base in four power generation types — wind, hydroelectric, thermal and solar. Boralex ensures sustained growth by leveraging the expertise and diversification developed over the past 25 years. Boralex’s shares and convertible debentures are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the ticker symbols BLX and BLX.DBA, respectively. More information is available at [www.boralex.com](http://www.boralex.com) or [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).*

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