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Siemens understands the national interests of the French government regarding the reorganization of Alstom

Siemens has noted the announcement of the French government to stronger respect national interests itself, regarding the reorganization of Alstom. "We respect and understand the political interest of the government in the field of energy technology. Together with our partner MHI, we had verifiably the better offer with respect to industrial and strategic sustainability as well as regarding financial and social aspects. But the safeguarding of national interests is a matter of the State," said Joe Kaeser, President and CEO of Siemens, and added: "Dealing with Alstom, we have proven our competence, entrepreneurship, strategic finesse and last but not least discipline."

With its Vision 2020, Siemens has a long-term and integral business concept which will be followed decisively and ambitiously. In this context, the acquisition of the gas turbine business would have fitted into the overall strategy.

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