



## Press Release

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### **Akuo Energy USA announces the execution of a Renewable Energy Purchase Agreement with Western Farmers Electric Cooperative**

**Paris, 25 January 2016** – Akuo Energy USA, Inc. a wholly owned subsidiary of the Paris headquartered, Akuo Energy SAS announces the signing of a 30-megawatt (“MW”) Renewable Energy Purchase Agreement (“REPA”) with Western Farmers Electric Cooperative (“WFEC”). The renewable energy will be provided from the Sterling Wind Farm, which will be located near the city of Tatum, in Lea County New Mexico.

Western Farmers Electric has agreed to purchase the output from the 30 MW project for a span of 15 years.

*“We are pleased to sign this renewable energy purchase agreement with Western Farmers Electric Cooperative, the largest locally owned power supply system in the region. The REPA for the Sterling Wind Farm is the second project for Akuo to reach this milestone in the past twelve months. We look forward to continuing our collaboration with WFEC, a company with 75 years of experience in electric power supply including generation and transmission to its 21 member cooperatives including Lea County Electric Cooperative, and is a leader in the deployment of renewable energy”,* said Thomas Coté, CEO of Akuo Energy USA.

*“Akuo Energy USA by way of the AEM Wind, LLC is a company that is truly client focused and passionate in it’s pursuit to develop and operate clean, renewable energy generation facilities and providing customers with value-based energy”* said Brian Hobbs, Vice President, Legal & Corporate Services of Western Farmers Electric Cooperative.



### **About Akuo Energy: Entrepreneur by Nature**

Akuo Energy is one of the leading French independent renewable energy power producers. Akuo Energy is present across the whole value chain, including project development, financing, construction, and operation. As of end-2015, Akuo Energy had invested EUR 1.5 billion in a total capacity of 560 MW in projects under operation and construction and more than 400 MW with financing underway. Its headquarters are located in Paris, France while it has subsidiaries in 7 other countries: Uruguay, Croatia, Poland, Turkey, Indonesia, UAE and the United States. Akuo Energy aims to have a global production capacity of 3,000 MW within 5 years.

More information can be found at [www.akuoenergy.com](http://www.akuoenergy.com)

### **About Western Farmers Electric Cooperative**

Western Farmers Electric Cooperative (WFEC) is a generation and transmission (G&T) cooperative that provides essential electric service to 21 member cooperatives, Altus Air Force Base and other power users. These members are located primarily in Oklahoma and New Mexico, with some service territories extending into portions of Texas and Kansas.

Now in its 75th year of operation, the Anadarko-based G&T has six generating facilities, located at Mooreland, Anadarko and Hugo, Okla., and Lovington, N.M., with a total power capacity of more than 2,400 megawatts (MW), including hydropower allocation and other contract power purchases. WFEC owns and maintains more than 3,700 miles of transmission line to some 272 substations and 59 switch stations.

For additional information, visit [www.wfec.com](http://www.wfec.com).

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