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### **RENAULT-SANDOUVILLE COMPETITIVENESS HAS TO BE STRENGTHENED TO SECURE JOBS**

- **Laurence Dors, representing Renault management, took part this afternoon in a meeting of the Steering Committee on commitments to develop the Sandouville site.**
- **At the meeting, she noted that Renault was a responsible French company that attaches great value to maintaining industrial presence in France. The Group has chosen to ensure Sandouville's long-term future by allocating the production of a future van to the plant.**
- **She confirmed that Laguna, Espace and Grand Espace will continue to be manufactured at Sandouville until end of life.**
- **She also said that ways had to be found to improve the competitiveness of the site to attract partners and obtain additional volumes of light commercial vehicles, thus securing secure jobs. Renault is calling for the mobilization of all stakeholders to find practical solutions.**

Renault is a French company that sets great store in maintaining industrial presence in France. The Group employs 45% of its worldwide labor force in the country. In 2009 Renault produced 25% of its vehicles in France, or 545,000 units. A full 60% of component purchases for French plants are made in the country.

Laurence Dors announced that the allocation of a future van would ensure the long-term future of the Sandouville site. She talked about how light commercial vehicles are a key issue for Renault. The Group leads the LCV market in Europe and has two LCV plants in France, in Batilly and Maubeuge. These two sites have a total workforce of 4,800 and produced more than 170,000 vehicles in 2009.

Sandouville has to pursue its efforts on competitiveness to approach the performance levels of the best Group plants. Laurence Dors commented: "Starting today, we have to restore the competitiveness of Sandouville. This will enable us to attract partners, bring additional volumes of light commercial vehicles and secure jobs. We have to find solutions together with all the stakeholders."

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