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## REXEL AWARDED THE GOLD TROPHY "CORPORATE FINANCE DEPARTMENT - INDUSTRY SECTOR"

Rexel, a global leader in the distribution of electrical supplies, was awarded the trophy "Corporate Finance Department - Industry Sector" on the occasion of the Finance Leaders Awards which were held March 29, 2012 in Paris.

This award recognizes excellence over time, the achievements over the past year and creativity and innovation in corporate finance.

In recent years, Rexel's Corporate Finance Department has piloted the renegotiation of the company's senior debt in 2009, several bond issues, including one placement of \$400 million on March 22, 2012, the reconfiguration of a securitization program in 2011, and has been involved in several acquisitions in emerging markets.

The Finance Leaders Awards recognize the best companies, teams and personalities from the world of corporate finance in France. It is awarded by a jury composed of more than 60 professionals.

Three big categories of professionals are distinguished and rewarded:

- the best managers and corporate finance departments
- the best corporate and investment banks
- the best specialized financial advisors

Rexel, a global leader in the distribution of electrical supplies, serves three main end markets: industrial, commercial and residential. The Group operates in 37 countries, with a network of some 2,100 branches, and employs 28,000 people. Rexel's sales were €12.7 billion in 2011. Its majority shareholders are an investor group led by Clayton, Dubilier & Rice, Eurazeo and BAML Capital Partners.

Rexel is listed on the Eurolist market of Euronext Paris (compartment A, ticker RXL, ISIN code FR0010451203). It is integrated in the following indices: SBF 120, CAC Mid 100, CAC AllTrade, CAC AllShares, FTSE EuroMid, FTSE4Good, ASPI Eurozone® and STOXX600.

For more information, visit Rexel's web site at [www.rexel.com](http://www.rexel.com)

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