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Q8Aviation and Verso Energy Sign Strategic Cooperation Agreement for Long-Term eSAF Supply in Europe

From left to right: Mr Khaled AL NESAFI - General Manager, Q8Aviation et Romain Verdier - Deputy CEO, Verso Energy



PARIS — 23rd of September, 2026 — **Verso Energy and Q8Aviation today announced a strategic cooperation agreement for the long-term supply of synthetic sustainable aviation fuel, known as eSAF, to Q8Aviation.**

Under the agreement, Verso Energy is expected to supply eSAF produced at its **DEZiR project** to Q8Aviation, in support of the group's long-term supply strategy across its European operations. For Verso Energy, the agreement provides long-term commercial visibility as DEZiR advances towards final investment stage. The two companies will also explore extending the collaboration to Verso Energy's broader project portfolio as market demand develops.

Q8Aviation supplies aviation fuel to more than 75 airports across Europe, the Middle East and Asia. **The long-term agreement supports Q8Aviation's preparations for the European Union's ReFuelEU Aviation Regulation**, which introduces a sustainable aviation fuel ("SAF") mandate requiring increasing levels of SAF to be blended into aviation fuel supplied at EU airports, including a dedicated eSAF sub-mandate from 2030.

"Being selected by a major international fuel supplier like Q8Aviation to help power its long-term eSAF strategy in Europe is a vote of confidence in the maturity of the DEZiR project," said Romain VERDIER, Deputy Chief Executive Officer of Verso Energy. "This collaboration with Q8Aviation marks a major step forward for the DEZiR project as we move towards the final investment stage — and for Europe as it builds the capacity to produce its own eSAF, at scale and on its own soil."

"This agreement marks an important step in Q8Aviation's strategy to secure long-term access to eSAF for our customers," said Adam Harrison, Q8Aviation Commercial Director. "By working with Verso Energy, we aim to support the development of European eSAF production capacity while helping our customers meet their regulatory obligations and decarbonisation objectives."

Verso Energy's DEZiR project, located in Petit-Couronne, Seine-Maritime, Normandy, will produce up to **81,000 tonnes per year of eSAF from 2030** by combining renewable and low-carbon hydrogen with biogenic CO2 captured at the Biomasse Énergie d'Alizay site in the Eure department. The project has already secured a grant agreement under the European Commission's Innovation Fund, an equity investment from Technip Energies, and a co-development agreement with TRAPIL for its CO2 transport pipeline.

About Verso Energy

Verso Energy is a pioneer integrated energy company accelerating the decarbonization of industry, aviation and maritime transport through the production of next-generation low-carbon molecules. With 2 GW of renewable energy projects under development, construction or operation, and flagship initiatives such as CarlHyng — the first European green steel project — Verso Energy stands at the forefront of innovation. The company is also developing eight eSAF production plants across France and Finland, positioning itself as a European leader in eSAF. By combining vision, technology and industrial capabilities, Verso Energy is committed to building a decarbonised future.

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About Q8Aviation

Q8Aviation is the international aviation fuel business of Kuwait Petroleum International. For more than four decades, it has supplied jet fuel safely and reliably to airlines and aviation customers across a broad network of airports. Today, Q8Aviation supplies conventional Jet A-1 and SAF to a broad range of customers including commercial, cargo, military, business aviation and reseller customers at more than 75 international and regional airports across 16 countries.

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