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THEOLIA sets up a dynamic management mechanism for its available cash based on a swap contract relating to its OCEANEs

In 2011, THEOLIA entrusted to Credit Suisse a part of its available cash in the context of a usual cash management agreement. It is indeed particularly difficult, in the current context of crisis in the Euro zone, to find the financial instruments that allow an attractive remuneration at an acceptable risk level.

Given the remarkable recovery efforts initiated by its management and teams, THEOLIA intends to set up a dynamic management of its available cash based on the market performance of its OCEANEs and the underlying shares, the market price of the OCEANEs being less volatile than that of the THEOLIA share.

To this end, THEOLIA concluded a swap contract with Credit Suisse concerning the OCEANEs in order to give a lift to the management of its available cash.

The swap contract (total return swap)

The swap contract concerning the OCEANEs concluded with Credit Suisse has a minimal duration of six months.

In order to constitute its hedge with respect to this swap contract, Credit Suisse may purchase OCEANEs, in its own name and for its own account, within the limit of 1,150,000 OCEANEs, corresponding to a maximal amount of 13,225,000 euros, by purchasing OCEANEs on the market or blocks of OCEANEs off market.

During the term of the swap contract, THEOLIA will pay to Credit Suisse an amount equal to Euribor plus a spread, corresponding to the cost of the constitution of its hedge position by Credit Suisse, and will receive, if applicable, the coupons and dividends received by Credit Suisse under its hedge position. Part of THEOLIA's available cash will be provided as collateral in order to secure its obligations towards Credit Suisse under the swap contract.

At the maturity of the contract or in case of a request from THEOLIA for an early repayment of part of its cash provided as collateral under the swap contract, THEOLIA will receive the market value of the OCEANEs allocated to the hedge of the swap and will pay to Credit Suisse the value of the constitution of its hedge (THEOLIA shall therefore receive from Credit Suisse the positive performance of the OCEANE or, as the case may be, pay to Credit Suisse the negative performance of the OCEANE). Credit Suisse will be the owner of the OCEANEs so purchased.

On the swap contract maturity date or in case of a request from THEOLIA for an early repayment of a part of its cash, Credit Suisse may unwind its position, depending on the market liquidity conditions, either by selling the OCEANEs that were purchased for the purposes of its hedge with respect to the swap contract, or by converting the OCEANEs into shares so as to sell the shares received as a result of the conversion of the OCEANEs. In the absence of a volume increase of the OCEANEs exchanged on the market and on the basis of the current volumes, the criteria used for the unwinding of the swap contract would probably lead to an unwind in shares.

Further information

The OCEANEs (obligations à option de souscription et/ou d'échange en actions nouvelles ou existantes THEOLIA / bonds with conversion and/or exchange option into existing or new THEOLIA shares) were issued by THEOLIA in October 2007 and are due to expire on January 1st, 2041. They are admitted for negotiations on the regulated Paris NYSE Euronext market (ISIN: FR0010532739).

About THEOLIA

THEOLIA is an independent producer of wind energy, active over the entire wind value chain. The Group develops, builds and operates wind farms in four main countries: France, Germany, Italy and Morocco. In total, the Group operates 903 MW for its own account and for third parties.

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