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### **Esther Koplowitz is appointed to the Board of Directors of Veolia Environnement**

**Paris, January 13, 2010.** The Board of Directors of Veolia Environnement, at its meeting of December 17, 2009, decided **to co-opt Esther Koplowitz as Director of the company, with effect from January 1st, 2010.** She will replace Murray Stuart, who has decided to retire from the Board. The company's forthcoming Annual Shareholders Meeting, scheduled for May 7, 2010, will be asked to ratify Esther Koplowitz's appointment. The Board wishes to express its sincere gratitude to Murray Stuart for the considerable work he has done for the company over many years, particularly as Chairman of the Accounts and Audit Committee, a position in which he will be succeeded by Daniel Bouton.

Esther Koplowitz served on the Supervisory Board of Veolia Environnement from 2000 to 2002 and she knows the company well. Moreover, she is Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors and the leading shareholder of the Spanish company Fomento de Construcciones y Contratas (F.C.C.), specialized in construction and environmental services. Veolia Environnement and F.C.C. have had for several years a jointly owned subsidiary, Proactiva Medio Ambiente S.A, which has operations in Latin America.

Esther Koplowitz is also Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors of Portland Valderrivas Cement and President of the Esther Koplowitz foundation, which she founded.

**Veolia Environnement** (Paris Euronext: VIE and NYSE: VE) is the worldwide reference in environmental services. With more than 330,000 employees the company has operations all around the world and provides tailored solutions to meet the needs of municipal and industrial customers in four complementary segments: water management, waste management, energy management and freight and passenger transportation. Veolia Environnement recorded revenue of €36,2 billion in 2008. [www.veolia.com](http://www.veolia.com)

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