

## PRESS RELEASE

## Antoine Frérot is appointed Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Veolia Environnement

**Paris, December 12, 2010.-** Henri Proglio informed the Veolia Environnement Board of Directors, which met on December 12, of his decision to leave the post of Chairman of the Board. Mr. Proglio will remain a Board director.

All the members of the Veolia Environnement Board paid tribute to the unbounded commitment shown by Mr. Proglio toward Veolia Environnement, which he widely contributed to create and led with determination, energy and passion to make the company the global leader in environmental solutions.

In accordance with the recommendations of its Nominations and Compensation Committee, the Board decided to unite the functions of Chairman of the Board and of Chief Executive Officer.

The Board of Directors therefore appointed Antoine Frérot Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Veolia Environnement. Mr. Frérot takes on his new responsibilities from today.

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Veolia Environnement (Paris Euronext: VIE and NYSE: VE) is the worldwide reference in environmental services. With approximately 310,000 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 passenger transportation. Veolia Environnement recorded revenue of €34.5 billion in 2009. <u>www.veolia.com</u>

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