

## Sercel Announces the Path to One-Million-Channel Acquisition

**PARIS, France – May 24, 2011** – CGGVeritas (ISIN: 0000120164 – NYSE: CGV) announced today that its equipment subsidiary Sercel has broken the seismic recording channel capacity barrier with the launch of the Giga Transverse.

The new Giga Transverse is offered as an add-on set of equipment to upgrade the channel capacity of the Sercel 428XL land seismic acquisition system. It is of particular benefit for SuperCrew high-channel-count surveys.

The new Giga Transverse boasts the fastest transmission rate in the industry, increasing the new optical transverse cable's capacity from 10,000 to 100,000 channels in real time per line. With this outstanding quantitative step-change, Sercel is in a stronger position than ever to meet the challenges set by the ever increasing capacities of SuperCrews for whom crossing the one-million-channel milestone is no longer a dream but a fast-approaching reality.

With the higher channel capacity, higher transmission rate and simplified deployment offered by the addition of the Giga Transverse, the performance of the 400 series, which is the undisputed leader in land acquisition with a worldwide install base of three million channels, is further enhanced.

Pascal Rouiller, CEO, Sercel, said: "We are pleased to announce this breakthrough in land acquisition, which is particularly critical for the growing SuperCrew market for high-density wide-azimuth acquisition. With the addition of the Giga Transverse, the 428XL is truly the most flexible acquisition system in our industry."

## About CGGVeritas

CGGVeritas (<u>www.cggveritas.com</u>) is a leading international pure-play geophysical company delivering a wide range of technologies, services and equipment through Sercel, to its broad base of customers mainly throughout the global oil and gas industry.

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