

GDF SUEZ issued a bond transaction worth more than € 4 Billion

GDF SUEZ issued a \in 4.25 Billion bond transaction. The issue was oversubscribed more than 2 times. It is the most important bond transaction issued by an industrial Group since 2004. The great success of this placement clearly illustrates the creditworthiness of GDF SUEZ as an issuer and confirms the market confidence in the long term prospects of the Group.

The transaction consists in three tranches:

- a long 3 years totaling €1.75 Billion, 4.375%, maturing 01/16/2012,
- a long 7 years totaling €1.5 Billion, 5.625%, maturing 01/18/2016,
- a long 12 years totaling €1 Billion, 6.375%, maturing 01/18/2021.

This issue is in line with the active liquidity management of the Group. It's extending the average maturity of the Group's debt while sustaining its strong level of liquidity. It completes the bond transaction issued in 2008 on the euro, sterling and Switzerland francs markets for a total amount of \in 3.6 billion. International Financing Review magazine just awarded the Group with the « Euro Bond Issue of the year » for the euro bond transaction issued last October.

The transaction was jointly lead managed by par HSBC, Calyon, BSCH and Merril Lynch.

One of the leading energy providers in the world, GDF SUEZ is active across the entire energy value chain, in electricity and natural gas, upstream to downstream. It develops its businesses (energy, energy services and environment) around a responsible-growth model to take up the great challenges: responding to energy needs, ensuring the security of supply, fighting against climate change and maximizing the use of resources. GDF SUEZ relies on diversified supply sources as well as flexible and high-performance power generation in order to provide innovative energy solutions to individuals, cities and businesses. The Group employs 196,500 people worldwide and achieved revenues of €74,3 billion in 2007. GDF SUEZ is listed on the Brussels, Luxembourg and Paris stock exchanges and is represented in the main international indices: CAC 40, BEL 20, DJ Stoxx 50, DJ Euro Stoxx 50, Euronext 100, FTSE Eurotop 100, MSCI Europe and ASPI Eurozone.

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