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## Payment in shares of 2011 dividend balance chosen at 77% by GDF SUEZ shareholders

Further to the April 23, 2012 GDF SUEZ shareholders' meeting, which approved the distribution of a €1.50 per share dividend for 2011, shareholders were given the option of receiving payment in shares of the €0.67 per share dividend balance. This option was offered to contribute to financing the buyout of International Power minority interests.

The option to receive dividends in shares was chosen at 77% by the shareholders, including the French State and Groupe Bruxelles Lambert (GBL).

This success illustrates shareholders confidence in the Group's long-term business strategy and industrial and financial outlook, and also reinforces the Group's financial solidity.

This subscription will result in a capital increase of EUR 1.1 billion thanks to the issue of 69,002,807 new shares, for delivery May 24, 2012. Cash payment of dividend balance will also be made on this date.

## About GDF SUEZ

GDF SUEZ develops its businesses around a model based on responsible growth to take up today's major energy and environmental challenges: meeting energy needs, ensuring the security of supply, combating climate change and optimizing the use of resources. The Group provides highly efficient and innovative solutions to individuals, cities and businesses by relying on diversified gas-supply sources, flexible and low-emission power generation as well as unique expertise in four key sectors: liquefied natural gas, energy efficiency services, independent power production and environmental services. GDF SUEZ employs 218,900 people worldwide and achieved revenues of €90.7 billion in 2011. The Group 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, ASPI Eurozone and ECPI Ethical Index EMU.

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