



The shareholders of COMPAGNIE GENERALE DE GEOPHYSIQUE are invited to a Combined General Meeting (ordinary and extraordinary) to be held on Friday, October 29, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.

Palais Brongniart, Petit Auditorium, 75002 Paris  
Entrance rue Notre Dame des Victoires

in order to decide upon the issue of bonds convertible into new shares in favour of the Onex Group

In order to participate personally or to be represented at the Meeting:

- Holders of registered shares must have the shares registered in their name at least five days prior to the date of the Meeting.
- Holders of bearer shares should, at least five days prior to the date of the Meeting, provide evidence that the shares are being held in a blocked account, in the form of a certificate issued by the financial intermediary holding the shares on account. Such certificate should be sent to BNP PARIBAS Securities Services - GIS Emetteurs - Assemblées – Immeuble Tolbiac - 75450 Paris Cedex 09.

Postal voting or proxy forms and admission cards may be obtained on request from BNP PARIBAS Securities Services.

- Shareholders wishing to cast a postal vote may obtain the appropriate form by writing to the Company, Corporate Legal Department, 1 rue Léon Migaux, 91341 Massy Cedex or BNP PARIBAS Securities Services, GIS Emetteurs - Assemblées, by registered letter with acknowledgment of receipt, at least six days prior to the date of the Meeting.

The duly completed form must be returned to the Company's head office or BNP PARIBAS Securities Services, GIS Emetteurs - Assemblées, on Tuesday, October 26, 2004 at the latest.

In the case of holders of bearer shares, postal votes will only be accepted subject to prior receipt of the certificate evidencing the fact that the shares are being held in a blocked account, as provided for above.

The agenda and the resolutions of the Meeting are published in the Bulletin des Annonces Légales Obligatoires (BALO) of September 29, 2004.

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