

Full ownership of International Power: GDF SUEZ reaches a strategic milestone for development in high growth markets

The GDF SUEZ acquisition of International Power's 30% minority shareholding was approved by more than 99% (by value) of minority shareholders voting at International Power's Shareholders' Meeting on 7 June 2012. Following the unanimous approval of the independent non-executive board members of International Power on 15 April, this vote marks a decisive step in the transaction, which is expected to be concluded on 29 June 2012.¹

Acquisition of 100% of the shares of International Power will complete the combination of the international assets of GDF SUEZ and International Power begun in February 2011 with the Group's acquisition of a 70% controlling interest in International Power. This transaction constitutes a major strategic milestone for GDF SUEZ, enabling it to take full control of a unique development platform in high growth countries where it seeks in the future to increase its current development capex from 30% to 40%-50%.

The transaction will also enable the Group to take full advantage of the synergies generated by the combination of GDF SUEZ and International Power in 2011.

This operation will be financed in a balanced manner through shareholders' equity, thanks in particular to the choice made by 77% of GDF SUEZ shareholders to receive the balance of their 2011 dividend in shares, and through the Group's financial flexibility, as illustrated by the recent successful bond issue, together with a new €3 billion program of asset disposals.

Gérard Mestrallet, Chairman and CEO of GDF SUEZ commented: "I am pleased with the vote of International Power shareholders which supports this strategic, industrial transaction. It will give GDF SUEZ the means for a more integrated expansion of activities and enables us to have an exceptional development platform in high growth regions, such as South America, the Middle East and Southeast Asia, where the demand for energy is very strong."

About GDF SUEZ

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¹ Subject, amongst other things, to the satisfaction or waiver of remaining regulatory and procedural conditions of the acquisition.



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