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PRESS RELEASE

Rome, 16 October 2006 - At the request of the Authority entrusted with the supervision of the French financial markets (AMF), Enel declares that, as far as the Suez matter is concerned, the Company's position has not changed with respect to what was reported in the press releases issued on the subject on February 25 and October 12, 2006.

In effect, Enel confirms that, as part of its strategy for growth in international markets, it considers possibilities and opportunities offered by energy markets, which are currently characterized by a rapidly evolving situation, as demonstrated by the plan for the merger of Gaz de France and Suez.

All the options are still open, because, as of now, none of these possibilities has led to the definition of intentions, favorable or unfavorable, or the adoption of consequent decisions at Enel.

If that were to happen, Enel will promptly inform the markets about it.