

PRESS RELEASE

ENEL: MULTIPLE ROUND BIDDING FOR THE SALE OF ELETTROGEN

Rome, July13, 2001 – At the conclusion of today's Steering Committee meeting, Enel informed potential buyers of the mode in which the final phase of the Elettrogen sale will be carried out.

This phase will consist of multiple-round bidding and will allow the selection of a winner by August 1, 2001.