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SUEZ CONSOLIDATES ITS PRESENCE AND ACTIVITIES IN CHINA

BY BECOMING THE MAJORITY SHAREHOLDER OF ITS PARTNERSHIP WITH NWS HOLDINGS

SUEZ announces the expansion of its long-standing partnership with NWS Holdings Limited (NWS Holdings), enlarging their cooperation to all the businesses of the Group – Water, Recycling & Recovery – in China, within their single entity. At the closing of the operation, SUEZ will hold a 58% stake in this joint-venture company. This partnership will strengthen the development of the Group in Mainland China, Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan, a zone with high-growth potential.

Under the terms of this transaction, SUEZ will contribute¹ its Recycling & Recovery, as well as Construction businesses into Sino-French Holdings (SFH), and SFH will make a cash receipt to SUEZ of approximately €50m. This operation is due to be finalised in or around December 2016².

This operation confirms **the Group's leading position in this territory**, where it has been **providing all its expertise for more than 30 years**. With 8,000 employees at work in China's biggest cities, SUEZ is supporting the central and regional governments' environmental policy, and the actions taken to preserve the resources of the public authorities and industrials on a partnership mode. The Group supplies drinking water to almost 20 million inhabitants, it has been the leader in waste management in Hong Kong since 1998 and it provides its expertise in the management of environmental services to 11 industrial parks.

In 2015, SUEZ posted revenues of €1.2 billion in China.

Through Sino-French Holdings, SUEZ and NWS Holdings, partners since 1985, will also generate **additional commercial and operational synergies**.

"We are proud of this high added value operation for our Chinese customers concluded with NWS Holdings. In the last 30 years, our partnerships have enabled us to support an increasing number of local authorities and industrial manufacturers in their implementation of solutions that are adapted to climate change and the sustainable management of resources. With this single entity, we will go even further in the environmental transition of China", declared Jean-Louis Chaussade, CEO of SUEZ.

¹ Excluding Derun Environment

² Subject to the usual suspensive clauses and including MOFCOM approval

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We are at the dawn of the resource revolution. In a world facing high demographic growth, runaway urbanisation and the shortage of natural resources, securing, optimising and renewing resources is essential to our future. SUEZ (Paris: SEV, Brussels: SEVB) supplies drinking water to 92 million people, delivers wastewater treatment services to 65 million, collects waste produced by almost 50 million, recovers 16 million tons of waste each year and produces 7 TWh of local and renewable energy. With 82,536 employees, SUEZ, which is present on all five continents, is a key player in the sustainable management of resources. SUEZ generated total revenues of €15.1 billion in 2015.

NWS Holdings

NWS Holdings Limited ("NWS Holdings", Hong Kong stock code: 659), the infrastructure and service flagship of New World Development Company Limited (Hong Kong stock code: 17), operates businesses in Hong Kong, Mainland China and Macau. Its Infrastructure portfolio includes Roads, Environment, Logistics and Aviation projects. Its Services portfolio comprises Facilities Management (the management of Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre and Free Duty), Construction & Transport (construction, bus and ferry services) and Strategic Investments.

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