SUEZ Environnement’s Combined General Meeting took place on Thursday 22 May 2014 at the CNIT in Paris - La Défense, and was chaired by Gérard Mestrallet.

This General Meeting provided the Group’s management team with an opportunity to report to shareholders on the 2013 financial results, to review the events and commercial successes during the year just-ended and to present the challenges facing the Group, together with its outlook.

In his introduction, Gérard Mestrallet stressed the major role that SUEZ Environnement plays through its businesses, through supplying 92 million people with drinking water and collecting the waste generated by 52 million people. This development has been successfully achieved thanks to a profitable growth strategy and to profound changes in the Group’s business activities, in order to adjust to demand while improving its operating performance.

KEY DATA
Length: 3 hours and 10 minutes
Audience: 474 shareholders were present
Quorum: The shareholders present and represented, together with the shareholders who voted via a postal vote and the Internet, held 65% of the shares with voting rights at the GM
On the stage: Gérard Mestrallet (Chairman of the Board), Jean-Louis Chaussade (Chief Executive Officer), Jean-Marc Boursier (Executive Vice-President in charge of Finance and Procurement) and Jean-Yves Larrouturou (General Secretary)
Stands: Shareholder area, documentation area and customer area
• Watch a video broadcast of the General Meeting
SHAREHOLDERS ARE THE FOCAL POINT OF THE GROUP’S PRIORITIES

When opening the General Meeting, Gérard Mestrallet applauded the dynamism of SUEZ Environnement’s shareholders, who responded to the shareholder consultation prior to the General Meeting in very high numbers, and thanked the members of the Consultation Panel in attendance.

The Chairman of the Board also underlined the +33.2% increase in the share price over one year, which outperformed the CAC 40 Index and the EuroStoxx Utilities Index. This share price performance demonstrates the market’s confidence in the quality of the Group’s results, and in its management and strategy.

SUEZ ENVIRONNEMENT IS COMING TO SEE YOU!

In June, SUEZ Environnement attended the Shareholder Village in Lyon on 12 June, and a shareholders’ meeting in Marseille on 17 June.

To view the Shareholders’ Club programme, click here
Jean-Louis Chaussade, SUEZ Environnement’s Chief Executive Officer, was determined to underline the *Group’s commercial momentum* from the outset, including successes in both businesses and in all geographical regions, through varied and innovative contractual models. SUEZ Environnement owes this efficiency both to its determination to improve performance on an ongoing basis, and to its anticipation of its customers’ requirements.

The Group’s other strength is based on the *consistency of its strategy*, on the balance between water and waste, and on the diversification of its business activities and of the geographical markets that it covers.

Lastly, Jean-Louis Chaussade presented the *four priorities for improving performance* that the Group has set itself in order to pursue its profitable growth strategy, i.e. anticipating market requirements, expanding from SUEZ Environnement’s established bases, industrialising its processes, and lastly, relying on the Group’s teams and expertise.
BALANCED BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

The Chief Executive Officer provided a detailed overview of SUEZ Environnement’s strategy in the water and waste segments.

In the water segment, concessions provide the Group with very long-term visibility, while new service offerings like smart water provide a crucial growth driver for SUEZ Environnement’s future.

In the waste segment, the Group’s activities are divided in a balanced way between services and the collection and treatment of waste in all its forms, from disposal to recovery. As Jean-Louis Chaussade reminded the audience, it is crucial for the Group to have a presence throughout the value chain.

Accordingly, SUEZ Environnement’s water and waste businesses are based on leading positions, thanks to a long-term portfolio that the Group is seeking to expand.

“We do not have operations everywhere; instead, our aim is to be a major operator in clearly identified positions where we have decided to invest”

INNOVATION AND INVESTMENT: TWO GROWTH DRIVERS

The Group’s transformation process involves two key drivers: innovation efforts and investment.

Innovation not only enables the Group to stand out from the competition, but also to anticipate and prepare for new expectations from customers, in order to enable those customers to be genuinely environmentally-friendly operators.

Jean-Louis Chaussade underlined that investments, which are synonymous with future growth, had to be in line with the Group’s four strategic priorities, i.e. new water businesses, waste recovery, international operations, and industrial waste water. These development opportunities were illustrated by a film on the Group’s recent innovations.
SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY FORMS AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE GROUP’S STRATEGY

SUEZ Environnement’s strategy makes sustainable development the focal point of the Group’s concerns. Accordingly, the Group has set itself ambitious targets as part of its 2012-2016 Roadmap, of which Jean-Louis Chaussade reminded us of the three main priorities.

Firstly, innovation enables the Group to develop its business activities and to make its customers leaders in terms of their financial and environmental performance. Secondly, the Group is focusing on the in-house development of talented individuals in order to involve them in the transformation of its businesses. In fact, SUEZ Environnement once again received the “Top Employer” award out of 46 companies that took part in France in 2013. Lastly, the Group has set itself the goal of developing access to essential services, and remains focused on encouraging the employment of young people, and social inclusion, through extending the Maison pour Rebondir initiative, about which shareholders were able to find out more in a dedicated video clip.

Jean-Louis Chaussade confirmed the importance for the Group - which is now included in the main extra-financial indices - of being a global leader in the sustainable development field. In fact, he spent time outlining the process for sharing the value created in 2013, for the benefit of shareholders, employees, suppliers, governments and local authorities, as well as innovation and development.

“Our profitable growth strategy relies on our teams, their motivation, and their desire to improve the way they work together.

The Group is improving, changing and constantly adjusting to the new requirements of its customers, which is what enables our current success”
FINANCIAL RESULTS

A PROFITABLE GROWTH STRATEGY

Jean-Marc Boursier, Executive Vice-President in charge of Finance, presented SUEZ Environnement’s results for the 2013 financial year.

Despite a tough economic environment in Europe, the Group posted sound results that were in line with its targets, and once again demonstrated the appropriateness of its industrial model.

Over the past five years, and despite an economic environment that was punctuated by two crises, SUEZ Environnement has constantly demonstrated the steadiness and effectiveness of its development model, as shown by the Group’s growth, regardless of the indications provided by the income statement.

Thanks to tight financial management, SUEZ Environnement has also increased the strength of its balance sheet. Accordingly, in May 2013, the financial rating agency Moody’s, reiterated the A3, stable outlook rating assigned to the Group.

Jean-Marc Boursier reviewed the results for the 1st quarter of 2014, which were characterised by the satisfactory performance of the three divisions (Water Europe, Waste Europe and International), in an economic environment that appears to be stabilising in Europe. Thanks to maintaining tight control in terms of its cash generation, the Group continued to increase its financial flexibility. These results enable SUEZ Environnement to maintain all the 2014 targets announced at the presentation of the 2013 financial statements in February.

2013 RESULTS

Revenues: €14,644 million
EBITDA: €2,520 million
Free cash flow: €1,007 million
Net income, Group share: €352 million
Net debt/ EBITDA: 2.9 times

2014 1ST QUARTER RESULTS

Revenues: €3,353 million (+1.2%)
EBITDA: €552 million (+3.2%)
Financial debt: lowered to €7,018 million
Net debt/ EBITDA: 2.77 times

- View the annual and quarterly results
GOVERNANCE

A STRENGTHENED GOVERNANCE PROCESS

This means an exemplary and effective governance process, which has undergone significant changes following the end of the Shareholder Agreement, which Gérard Mestrallet presented at the beginning of the General Meeting.

“Relations between SUEZ Environnement and GDF SUEZ have changed following the end of the Shareholder Agreement, but are continuing via strengthened industrial and commercial partnerships in many areas where the groups are complementary”

Thanks to its Board of Directors, which primarily consists of independent directors with diverse and complementary backgrounds, SUEZ Environnement complies with the highest standards, and specifically with the AFEP-MEDEF Code. Following the shareholders’ approval of the appointment of Inès Kolmsee as a Director, the Board of Directors now includes five women, while the ratio of women in senior management is increasing every year. This appointment follows the departure of Gérald Arbola, who had represented the Areva Group since 2008. The Chairman offered Mr Arbola his heartfelt thanks for his active contribution to the work performed by the Board and by the Ethics and Sustainable Development Committee.

The General Meeting approved an amendment to the Articles of Association, in order to provide for procedures aimed at appointing two employee representative directors, in accordance with the Law of 14 June 2013. This General Meeting also provided an opportunity to renew the appointments of five directors, namely Gilles Benoist, Alain Chaigneau, Pénelope Chalmers Small, Guillaume Pepy and Jérôme Tolot.

Four committees assist the Board of Directors with its decisions; three of these committees are chaired by independent directors, who also account for a large majority of their members. Gérard Mestrallet presented the activities of the Strategy Committee, which he chairs. Guillaume Pepy and Lorenz d’Este then reviewed the work performed by the Audit and Financial Statements Committee and by the Appointments and Remuneration Committee in a video clip. This was followed by a presentation by Delphine Ernotte Cunci of the work performed by the Ethics and Sustainable Development Committee.
DISCUSSIONS WITH SHAREHOLDERS

A LARGE NUMBER OF HIGHLY INFORMATIVE DISCUSSIONS

During the discussions, Gérard Mestrallet and Jean-Louis Chaussade devoted one hour to answering 20 questions from shareholders who were present. This year, shareholders’ questions focused mainly on the financial results, and on the Group’s business activities. The Group’s strategy and outlook was also the subject of several questions, followed by governance and shareholder remuneration issues.

THE TOPICS OF THE ORAL QUESTIONS

Furthermore, thanks to the Shareholder Area at the entrance to the room, the SUEZ Environnement Shareholder Relations Team had the opportunity to meet a large number of shareholders, and to answer all their questions.

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THE RESOLUTIONS: PRESENTATION AND VOTING

OVERVIEW OF THE RESOLUTIONS

Jean-Yves Larrouturou, SUEZ Environnement’s General Secretary, provided a detailed review of all the resolutions submitted to a vote by shareholders, and specifically focused on the components of the Chief Executive Officer’s remuneration, which are subject to an advisory vote by shareholders, and on the terms and conditions of the various financial authorisations.

On this occasion, the new Director, Inès Kolmsee, gave a short speech to outline her background and experience ahead of her becoming a member of SUEZ Environnement’s Board of Directors.

ALL THE RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED

The shareholders, who represented around 65% of the voting rights, adopted all 30 resolutions submitted to a vote by the Board of Directors.

Accordingly, the General Meeting approved the 2013 financial statements, and the payment of a cash dividend of €0.65 per share. The ex-dividend date was 26 May 2014, and the dividend was paid on 29 May 2014.

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