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For the month of December 2015

CGG

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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TRANSFORMATION PLAN

Planned 350 million share capital increase

with preferential subscription rights

Paris, France December 7, 2015

After careful review of the different options to address the Company's financing needs as announced on November 5 2015, CGG intends to launch a capital increase to finance in particular the Group's Transformation Plan.

CGG announces today the convening of a combined general shareholders' meeting in order to delegate authority to the board of directors to decide on a capital increase of a maximum amount of 350 million (issue premium included) by issuance of ordinary shares with preferential subscription rights for shareholders.

This strengthening of the Group's equity would complement its current refinancing transactions. The approximately \$126 million of CGG's \$135 million outstanding 2017 bonds that have been tendered for cancellation during the early tender period of CGG Holding (U.S.) Inc.'s ongoing exchange offer and the 84 million Fugro loan will be replaced by a secured term loan due 2019. At the end of this process, most of CGG's 2016/2018 mid-term debt will have been rescheduled.

Subject to the approval of the general shareholders' meeting and market conditions, this capital increase will be launched as soon as possible following the general meeting. The final terms of this transaction will be determined by the Company's board of directors.

The general meeting is convened for January 11, 2016 at 10:00 am (Paris time) at the following location: Centre d'Affaires Paris Victoire, 52 rue de la Victoire, Paris 75009, France. The agenda and draft resolutions, which have been published today by the French BALO (*bulletin d'annonces légales obligatoires*), are available on CGG's website (www.cgg.com).

About CGG

CGG (www.cgg.com) is a fully integrated Geoscience company providing leading geological, geophysical and reservoir capabilities to its broad base of customers primarily from the global oil and gas industry. Through its three complementary business Segments of Equipment, Acquisition and Geology, Geophysics & Reservoir (GGR), CGG brings value across all aspects of natural resource exploration and exploitation. CGG employs over 7,000 people around the world, all with a Passion for Geoscience and working together to deliver the best solutions to its customers.

CGG is listed on the Euronext Paris SA (ISIN: 0000120164) and the New York Stock Exchange (in the form of American Depositary Shares. NYSE: CGG).

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, CGG has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date December 7th, 2015

By /s/ Stéphane-Paul FRYDMAN
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Corporate Officer & CFO

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