

VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16

UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of July 2009

Commission File Number: 001-15248

VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

36-38, avenue Kléber

75116 Paris, France

(Address of principal executive offices)

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PRESS RELEASE

Paris, July 31st, 2009. Veolia Environnement has announced that its subsidiary Veolia Transport has entered into exclusive discussions with Transport et Logistique Partenaires (SNCF Group) and Europorte 2 (Eurotunnel Group) have submitted a firm bid to acquire the Veolia Cargo company.

As part of this offer, Europorte 2 would acquire the French activities from Veolia Cargo and Transport et Logistique Partenaires would acquire the German, Benelux and Italian activities.

Veolia Transport will consider this bid carefully. If it is accepted, and after consulting the workers representation bodies and approval by the competent regulatory bodies, the disposal could take place by the end of 2009.

Following these transactions, Veolia Environnement's indebtedness would be reduced by 95m.

Veolia Environnement (Paris Euronext: VIE and NYSE: VE) is the worldwide reference in environmental services. With more than 330 000 employees the company has operations all around the world and provides tailored solutions to meet the needs of municipal and industrial companies in four complementary segments: water management, waste management, energy management and freight and passenger transportation. Veolia Environnement recorded revenue of 36.2 billion in 2008. www.veolia.com

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SIGNATURES

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

Dated: July 31, 2009

VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT

By: /s/ Alain Tchernonog
Name: Alain Tchernonog
Title: General Secretary