

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **MANAGEMENT APPOINTMENTS FRANCE**

European Gas Limited ("European Gas" or "Company") is pleased to announce the following management appointments.

#### **Chief Technology Officer**

European Gas is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Eric Allen as Chief Technology Officer of the Company. Mr Allen's enhanced role will be as a full time employee of European Gas working with both the Lorraine and Gazonor offices and across all of the Company's projects.

Mr Allen has worked with the Company as technical consultant since July 2008 and during that time has been integral in the development of the Company's coal bed methane plans, working in particular on the Lorraine permit.

Mr Allen is a Professional Engineer with over 30 years of engineering and project management experience in the energy industry in the Americas, Europe and Asia. His experience includes design, management and coordination of exploration programs and development of a variety of projects with particular emphasis on coal bed methane ("CBM"). Mr Allen has also held senior engineering roles with leading consultants in exploration and evaluation of CBM projects in Canada and internationally. Mr Allen holds an A.C.S.M. from Camborne School of Mines in England and an M.Sc.Eng (Mining) from Queen's University in Canada.

#### **Executive General Manager**

European Gas is continuing its search for an appropriate Executive General Manager or CEO. In the interim, Mr Julien Moulin will continue in the role of Acting Managing Director for a further six months until 30 June 2010 or until an appointment is made.

A Management Committee of the Board of Directors has been established to oversee the operations of the Company, consisting of Mr Rod Bresnehan (technical), Mr Sebastian Hempel (corporate governance and financial) and Mr Julien Moulin (day to day operations and financial). Mr Moulin will act as Chairman of the Management Committee.

#### **Director of Gazonor**

European Gas is pleased to announce the promotion of Mr Nicolas Ricquart to Director of Gazonor. Mr Ricquart has been with the Company since 2008 as General Manager of Gazonor.

Mr Ricquart is an engineer with over 20 years experience mainly in operations and projects in the energy sector. Mr Ricquart has held senior management roles in Exxon Chemicals, EMC (Entreprise Minière et Chimique) and ANDRA (French agency for nuclear waste management) and has conducted Safety, Health and Environment ("SHE") standards implementation for several major corporations.

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## **ABOUT EUROPEAN GAS LIMITED**

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European Gas Limited (EGL) is a hydrocarbon explorer/developer/producer with both production and exploration projects in western Europe. The strategy of the company is to explore and develop Coal Bed Methane and Coal Mine Methane projects, particularly in France where the company has major holdings under licence and thus holds a significant competitive advantage.

EGL regards the western European natural gas market as substantial and well-priced, with an advanced infrastructure, large customer base and a free and open market.

The Company also holds hydrocarbon royalties in the Canning Basin of Western Australia.

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