

Brussels, 25 August 2006

The Board of Directors is pleased to invite you to attend the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Fortis SA/NV to be held on

Wednesday, 20 September 2006 at 3.30 PM

**at Rue de la Chancellerie, 1
1000 Brussels**

Referring to past experience, we draw however your attention on the fact that this meeting will not deliberate validly as it will not have the required quorum.

You will be informed on this matter on 15 September 2006 and will then be invited to the Extraordinary General Meeting of Fortis SA/NV to be held effectively on

Wednesday, 4 October 2006

AGENDA

1. Opening

2. Authorised capital

2.1 Special report by the Board of Directors, prepared in accordance with Article 604, paragraph 2, and Article 607 of the Companies' Code.

2.2 Proposal to create an authorised capital of one billion seventy one million euro (EUR 1.071.000.000) for a period of three years

Proposal therefore to amend Article 9 of the Articles of Association as follows:

- To replace the current text of point a) by the following text:
"Subject to the Twinned Share Principle, the Board of Directors is authorised to increase the share capital, in one or more operations, for up to a maximum amount of one billion seventy one million euro (EUR 1.071.000.000)."
- To replace in paragraph b) the words "26 May 2006" by "4 Oktober 2009".

2.3 Proposal to authorise the Board of Directors to use the authorised capital in the event of a public takeover bid for a period of three years.

Proposal to replace in Article 9 paragraph c) of the Articles of Association the words "26 May 2006" by "4 October 2009"

3. Lodging of securities and of proxies

Proposal to replace in Article 20 paragraph a) of the Articles of Association the words "four working days" by "five working days"

4 Closure

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↳ Terms of participation

Shareholders who hold bearer shares and would like to participate in this first meeting, the sole purpose of which will be to formally note that it cannot pass valid resolutions because it has not reached the quorum required by law, are invited to:

- Deposit their shares, by Thursday 14 September 2006, at the head office or at one of the following banks: Fortis Banque, Fortis Banque Luxembourg, ING, KBC Bank and Petercam.
- Send a proxy form, again by Thursday 14 September 2006, if they wish to be represented at the meeting. A standard proxy form is available on request from the company's head office

↳ Available documents

Besides the proxy mentioned above, is also available at the company's registered office to all shareholders and to any interested third party, the Special Report by the Board of Directors, prepared in accordance with Article 604, paragraph 2, and Article 607 of the Companies' Code.

These documents can also be found on Internet : www.fortis.com, "Investor Relations" – "shareholdersmeeting".

↳ Further information

Shareholders wishing to obtain information relating to the modalities of attendance to the meeting are invited to contact the Company.

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The Board of Directors,



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