

VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT  
Form 6-K  
July 29, 2005

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**  
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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**  
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For the month of July 2005

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)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Yes  o

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Paris, July 29th, 2005

RELEASE

In connection with the agreement signed in December 2000, EDF and Veolia Environnement are currently engaged in discussions on future changes in their industrial and commercial partnership and the shareholders' agreement related to their respective shareholdings in Dalkia.

In accordance with this partnership agreement, EDF has a call option allowing it to increase its shareholding in Dalkia up to 50%, subject to a certain number of conditions being met. The terms and conditions of this option were clarified on 19 April 2005 in an amendment agreement.

In this context, EDF has exercised on 28 July 2005, as a precautionary measure, the call option that was granted to it until 31 July 2005.

However, this option will be deemed to have been definitively exercised, if and when the parties enter into a formal agreement relating to, inter alia, the reorganisation of their relations arising from their industrial and commercial agreement and of their rights and obligations under the shareholders' agreement, including the rules of corporate governance.

If no agreement were to be reached on 30 September 2005 at the latest, the option would automatically expire and would be of no further force and effect; the original partnership would not be affected in any other respect.

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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 28, 2005

VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT

By: /s/ Jérôme Contamine

Name: Jérôme Contamine

Title: Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer