

PRESS RELEASE

■ SUSPENSION OF FORTIS SHARES

The Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier (CSSF) has been informed by the Commission bancaire, financière et des assurances (CBFA), the competent authority of Belgium, of its decision to suspend the shares of FORTIS (BE0003801181) (and derivatives) from trading today from 1.45 p.m. until the closing of the markets and the CSSF has therefore, in accordance with article 9 (3) of the law of 13 July 2007 on markets in financial instruments, demanded the suspension of the said financial instrument for the same period from trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange.

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