

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 taken in consultation with FORTIS N.V., to suspend the shares of FORTIS (BE0003801181) (and derivatives) from trading on Euronext Brussels on 8 December 2009 as from 11:45 a.m. pending a decision of the Commercial Court of Brussels. Therefore, the CSSF has required, in accordance with article 9(3) of the law of 13 July 2007 on markets in financial instruments, the suspension of said financial instruments from trading on the regulated market of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange until the market has been duly informed of the Court order.

Luxembourg, 8 December 2009

