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Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a- 16 or 15d- 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 For the month of September 2010 CGG-Veritas

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# CGGVeritas Announces Federal District Court in Texarkarna Partially Overturned Jury s Verdict

## PARIS, France September 2th 2010

CGGVeritas (ISIN: 0000120164 NYSE: CGV) announced today that a Federal District Court in Texarkana has overturned the jury s verdict that its subsidiary, Sercel Inc., infringed United States Patent No. 5,852,242 with respect to one theory of infringement supported by ION Geophysical Corporation. The Court also sustained the jury s verdict on another theory of infringement and the validity of the patent. The Court determined that ION was not entitled to the \$25.2 million in lost profits awarded by the jury, and reduced the damages award to \$10.7 million. In addition, Sercel and ION will have thirty days to negotiate the terms of, and the sole activities that would be subject to, an injunction. The Court will enter a Final Judgment after these negotiations are completed, but no later than thirty days. Sercel continues to believe that ION s remaining infringement claim is without merit.

Sercel has the right to file an appeal to overturn those Court rulings that were not in its favor, including the Court solution ruling sustaining the jury of solutions verdict that Sercel infringed the ION patent by importing and selling a product in the United States that was made in France allegedly using the method of manufacturing in ION of spatent and the jury of verdict that the patent was not invalid despite ION of failure to disclose in the patent the best way of making the invention.

### About CGGVeritas

CGGVeritas (www.cggveritas.com) is a leading international pure-play geophysical company delivering a wide range of technologies, services and equipment through Sercel, to its broad base of customers mainly throughout the global oil and gas industry.

CGGVeritas is listed on the Euronext Paris (ISIN: 0000120164) and the New York Stock Exchange (in the form of American Depositary Shares, NYSE: CGV).

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### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Compagnie Générale de Géophysique Veritas has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: September 21st, 2010

By /s/ Gerard CHAMBOVET

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Senior EVP Corporate

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