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FORM 6-K SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549
Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a- 16 or 15d- 16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of July 2009

CGG-Veritas

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CGGVeritas Provides Vessel Utilization Update for the Second Quarter 2009

PARIS, France July \$\square\$ 2009

CGGVeritas (ISIN: 0000120164 NYSE: CGV) provides its vessel utilization and its fleet allocation updates for the second guarter of 2009.

Vessel utilization for the second quarter 2009:

The following vessel utilization rates for the second quarter 2009 do not take into account the Harmattan, a 3D vessel which was decommissioned during the quarter as part of our marine capacity adjustment program.

- § The **vessel availability rate¹ was 89%**, including a 5% impact related to standby between contracts. This compares to a 93% availability rate in the first quarter 2009 and a 86% rate in the second quarter 2008
- § The **vessel production rate² was 88%**. This compares to a 89% production rate in the first quarter 2009 and a 80% rate in the second quarter 2008.

Fleet allocation update for the second quarter 2009:

During the second quarter of 2009, our 3D vessels were allocated 75% to contract and 25% to multi-client programs, a decrease in multi-client investment in 2009, as planned.

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 SA (ISIN: 0000120164) and the New York Stock Exchange (in the form of American Depositary Shares, NYSE: CGV).

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The vessel
availability rate,

a metric

measuring the

structural

availability of

our vessels to

meet demand;

this metric is

related to the

entire fleet, and

corresponds to

the total vessel

time reduced by

the sum of the

standby time, of

the shipyard

time and the

steaming time

(the available

time), all divided by total vessel time;

² - The vessel production rate.

production rate, a metric measuring the effective utilization of the vessels once available; this metric is related to the entire fleet, and corresponds to the available time reduced by the operational downtime, all then divided by available time.

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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: July 9th, 2009

By /s/ Gerard CHAMBOVET
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