

## NEWS RELEASE

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# EXPANSION OF CONTINGENT RESOURCES GAZONOR, FRANCE

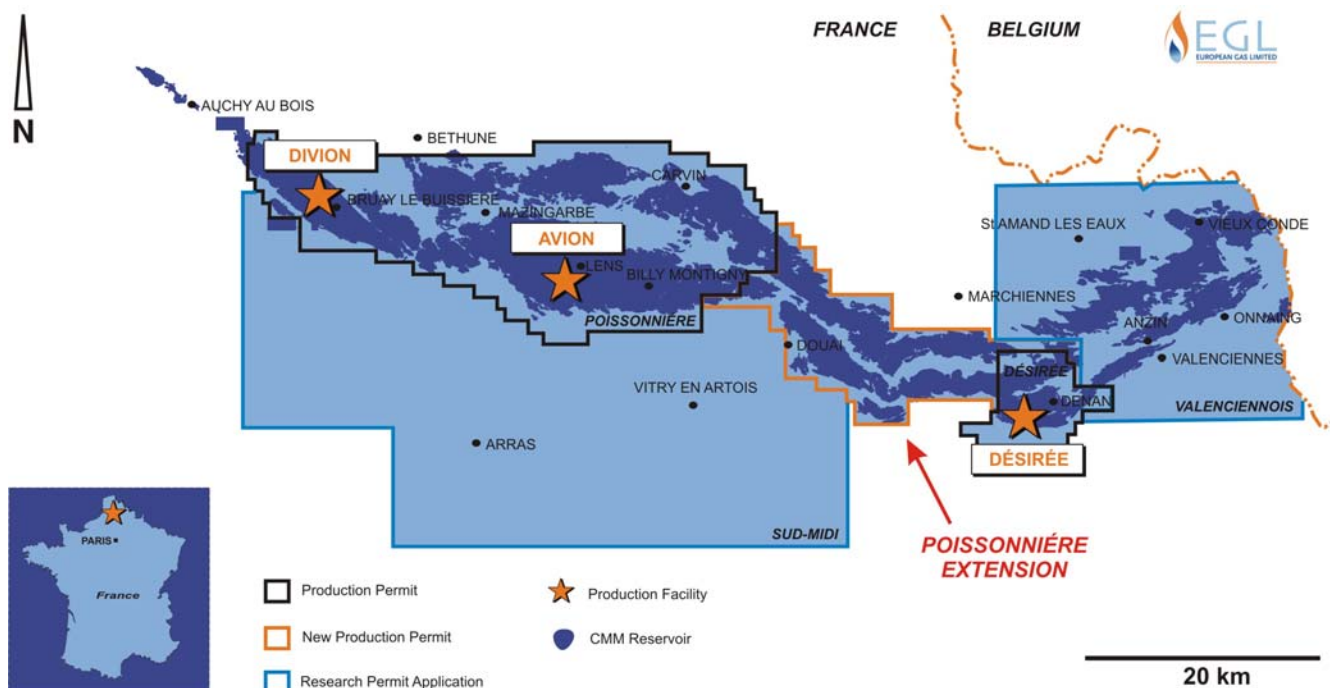
## HIGHLIGHTS

- Total Gazonor Coal Bed Methane ("CBM") Contingent Resources expanded by 70%.
- Initial Contingent Resources for Poissonnière Extension of 3552 Petajoules ("PJ") (3350 billion cubic feet ("Bcf") or 95 billion cubic metres ("Bm<sup>3</sup>")).
- Total Gazonor project Contingent Resources increases to 8642 PJ (8150 Bcf or 231 Bm<sup>3</sup>).

## PRODUCTION PERMIT RECENT GRANTING

European Gas Limited ("European Gas" or "Company") is pleased to announce that it has completed the Contingent Resources assessment for the recently granted Poissonnière Extension production permit located in northern France.

The production permit area covers 188 square kilometres (km<sup>2</sup>) of the Nord Pas de Calais Basin at the Company's 100% owned Gazonor Project. The production permit includes the exclusive rights to produce all hydrocarbons including coal bed and coal mine methane. The granting forms an extension to the Company's Poissonnière production permit, is valid until December 2017 and is renewable.



## CONTINGENT RESOURCES UPGRADE

The initial Contingent Resource estimates for the Poissonnière Extension are shown in the following table:

### **Contingent Resources (C1+C2+C3)**

	Billions of Cubic Metres * Bm <sup>3</sup>	Billions of Cubic Feet * Bcf	Petajoules PJ
Poissonnière Extension	95	3350	3552

\* contained methane

The initial estimates were conducted by the European Gas technical group under Society of Petroleum Engineers ("SPE") and Petroleum Resource Management System ("PRMS") guidelines.

Total Contingent Resources for the Gazonor project are now expanded by 70% and are summarised below.

## GAZONOR TOTAL RESERVES AND RESOURCES

The Company's Gazonor Project reserve and resource position is summarised in the following table.

### **Gazonor Certified Reserves as at July 2008**

	Billions of Cubic Metres * Bm <sup>3</sup>	Billions of Cubic Feet * Bcf	Petajoules PJ
Gazonor 1P	1.3	46	49
Gazonor 2P	3.7	131	140
Gazonor 3P	10.1	357	380

### **Gazonor Contingent Resources (C1+C2+C3)**

	Billions of Cubic Metres * Bm <sup>3</sup>	Billions of Cubic Feet * Bcf	Petajoules PJ
Poissonnière	122	4300	4560
Poissonnière Extension	95	3350	3552
Desirée	14	500	530
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>8150</b>	<b>8642</b>

\* contained methane

The current reserve and resource assessments exclude the potential reserves and resources within areas influenced by mining and the Valenciennois and Sud Midi application area covering 1,352 km<sup>2</sup>. These areas continue in the application process having been submitted in October 2007 and July 2008 respectively.

## **ABOUT EUROPEAN GAS LIMITED**

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European Gas Limited is a hydrocarbon producer/developer/explorer with projects in western Europe. The strategy of the Company is to develop Coal Bed Methane and Coal Mine Methane projects, in particular, in France where the Company, having major holdings under licence, holds a significant competitive advantage.

The western European natural gas market is substantial with advanced infrastructure, including extensive pipeline networks and a free and open market.

The Company also holds hydrocarbon royalties in the Canning Basin of Western Australia.

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## **COMPLIANCE STATEMENT**

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