

VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT  
Form 6-K  
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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 6-K  
REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULES 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

October 5, 2004

**VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

36-38, avenue Kléber  
75116 Paris, France  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes  No

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**PRESS RELEASE**

**VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT HAS WON TWO NEW WATER MANagements CONTRACTS  
IN CHINA WORTH 790 MILLION EUROS**

Paris, 5th October 2004 □ Veolia Environnement announces that its Water division, Veolia Water, has won two new municipal management contracts in China.

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The first contract, signed with the town of Hohhot, the capital of Inner Mongolia (2,500,000 inhabitants), involves rehabilitation and operation, for a period of 30 years, of a drinking water production site, including a treatment plant and a wellfield, with a capacity of 515,000 m3/d. The contract will generate a consolidated revenue of 600 million euros during the period.

The second contract, signed for a period of 22 years with Weinan, a town of 300,000 inhabitants close to Xian and Baoji where Veolia Water already produces drinking water, involves rehabilitation and operation of a drinking water production site, the capacity of which, after expansion, will be 160,000 m3/d. This contract will generate a consolidated revenue of 190 million euros during the period.

"These two new projects follow on from the large contracts signed recently, both by the Waste management division and by the Water division of Veolia Environnement, particularly in Shanghai, Guandong and Shenzhen. They are part of a development strategy for the whole of China", stated Henri Proglio, Chairman of Veolia Environnement.

*Veolia Water, the water Division of Veolia Environnement, is the world leader in water and wastewater services. Specialized in outsourcing services for municipal authorities, as well as for industrial and service companies, it is also one of the world's major designers of technological solutions and constructors of facilities needed in water and wastewater services. Veolia Water serves 110 million people worldwide. With 77,723 employees, its 2003 revenue amounted to 11.3 billion euros.*

*Veolia Environnement (Paris Euronext : VIE et NYSE : VE) is world leader in environmental services. The company has operations all around the world and provides tailored solutions to meet the needs of industrial and municipal customers in four complementary segments : water, waste management, energy and passenger transportation. Veolia Environnement recorded revenue of €28.6 billion in 2003.*

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SIGNATURES

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

Dated: October 5, 2004

VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT

By: /s/ Jérôme Contamine

Name: Jérôme Contamine

Title: Senior Executive President and Chief Financial Officer