

PRESS RELEASE

For information: Eurogas Changes in the Secretariat, effective 1st September 2010

Eurogas Secretariat will be modified as of September 1st as follows:

- **M. Jean-Marie Devos**, Eurogas Secretary General from 2002 to 2010, has decided to step down from the Association on 1st September.

Until his replacement, which will occur in the coming months, **Ms. Margot A. Loudon**, Deputy Secretary General of Eurogas from 1990, will be Acting Secretary General. Ms. Loudon, is a very well recognized expert from the gas sector.

- **Mr. Simon A. Blakey** will join the association. He has been appointed "Special Envoy" of Eurogas from 1st September 2010. Mr. Blakey will reinforce Eurogas's advocacy role. Mr. Blakey, who is a well-known specialist of the gas sector, was formerly Senior Associate at IHS Cambridge Energy Research Associates.

Ms. Loudon and Mr. Blakey will act jointly on the issues that Eurogas will carry forward on behalf of its member companies and member associations. The promotion of the role of natural gas in the future European energy mix, the development of strong relations with EU institutions, Member States and with other relevant entities and the definition of a communication and advocacy strategy will be the main priorities.

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