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Attention: Special Counsel, Office of International Corporate Finance

Dear Sir or Madam,

Please find enclosed a copy, translated in English, of the Press release issued today.

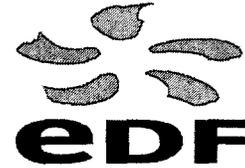
Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned in Milan (Italy) at 00-39-02-7720-3089, should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Maria Angela Nardone
Company Secretary

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PRESS RELEASE

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION AUTHORIZES THE ACQUISITION BY EDF AND AEM OF JOINT CONTROL OF EDISON

On August 12th 2005, the European Commission authorized, pursuant to EU merger control rules, the acquisition by EDF S.A. and AEM S.p.A. of joint control of Edison S.p.A. through Transalpina di Energia s.r.l., whose equity capital is held in equal measure by the EDF group and DELMI S.p.A., a company controlled by AEM. It is expected that this acquisition and the successive tender offer to be launched by Transalpina di Energia to purchase the shares and warrants of Edison will take place during September and October 2005.

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