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Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of January 2009

CGG-Veritas

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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CGGVeritas Provides Update on Recently Awarded Contracts

Paris, January 23rd 2009

CGGVeritas (ISIN: 0000120164 – NYSE: CGV) announced today that it has been awarded two long-term seismic acquisition contracts by BP to undertake multiple high-end marine 3D, wide-azimuth and 4D seismic surveys. CGGVeritas has also received a letter of cancelation from PDVSA relating to the previously announced six month land 3D seismic survey in Venezuela.

For BP, the first contract encompasses an Arctic Ocean exploration 3D survey in the Canadian Beaufort Sea. This project, with an option to extend for a second season, is expected to commence in the summer of 2009. The second long-term contract comprises multiple wide-azimuth and 4D reservoir management surveys in the Gulf of Mexico. This GoM program is expected to commence early in 2009, with part of the program being acquired in 2010 and includes options for further extensions. The total value of these new BP contracts, not including optional extensions, is expected to be approximately \$130 million.

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

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The information included herein contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the securities act of 1933 and section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements reflect numerous assumptions and involve a number of risks and uncertainties as disclosed by the Company from time to time in its filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Actual results may vary materially.

THIS FORM 6-K REPORT IS HEREBY INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE INTO THE PROSPECTUS CONTAINED IN CGG VERITAS' REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON FORM S-8 (REGISTRATION STATEMENT NO. 333-150384) AND SHALL BE A PART THEREOF FROM THE DATE ON WHICH THIS REPORT IS FURNISHED, TO THE EXTENT NOT SUPERSEDED BY DOCUMENTS OR REPORTS SUBSEQUENTLY FILED OR FURNISHED.

SIGNATURES

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: January 23rd, 2009

By /s/ Gerard CHAMBOVET _____

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