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## Fabienne Lecorvaisier appointed Group Vice-President Finance and Administration, effective October 1

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**Fabienne Lecorvaisier** has been appointed **Vice-President, Finance and Administration of the Air Liquide Group** effective October 1. She will be a member of the Group Executive Committee and will succeed **John Glen**, Air Liquide Vice-President Finance and Administration since 2000 and a member of the Executive Committee since 2001, who will be taking a new direction in his career and return to the United Kingdom.

During the past 8 years at Air Liquide, **John Glen** has made a significant contribution to the development of the Group during a period of accelerated growth and geographic expansion, marked by major acquisitions, especially in Asia.

**Fabienne Lecorvaisier** is a graduate of Ecole Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées and started her career at Société Générale. She then held various positions at Barclays Bank and the Banque du Louvre.

In September 1993, she joined the Essilor Group as Development Director. In January 1996, she was appointed Director Finance and Information Systems of Essilor America before becoming CFO of the Essilor Group in January 2001. Since July 2007, Fabienne Lecorvaisier has been Senior Vice-President Strategy and Acquisitions of the Essilor Group.

*With more than **40,000 employees** in **75 countries**, Air Liquide is the **world leader** in industrial and medical gases and related services. The Group offers **innovative solutions** based on constantly enhanced **technologies** and produces **air gases (oxygen, nitrogen, argon, rare gases...)** and **many other gases including hydrogen**. The Group contributes to the manufacturing of **many everyday products**: bubbles in sparkling beverages, protective atmosphere for packed foods, oxygen for hospitals and homecare patients, ultra-pure gases for the semiconductor industry, hydrogen to desulfurize fuels...*

*Air Liquide is committed to **sustainable development** and helps to **protect life**. Founded in 1902, Air Liquide has successfully developed a long-term relationship with its shareholders built on **trust** and **transparency** and guided by the principles of **corporate governance**. Since the publication of its first consolidated financial statements in 1971, Air Liquide has posted **strong and steady earnings growth**. Sales in 2007 totaled **11,801 million euros**, with sales outside France accounting for almost 80%. Air Liquide is listed on the Paris stock exchange and is a component of the CAC 40 and Eurostoxx 50 indices (ISIN code FR 0000120073).*