

GENERAL GEOPHYSICS CO

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of**

**the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the month of October, 2003

# GENERAL COMPANY OF GEOPHYSICS

(translation of registrant's name into English)

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**COMPAGNIE GENERALE DE GEOPHYSIQUE**  
(ISIN : FR0000120164 ; NYSE : GGY)

With CGG's **HDPIC**, geologists and geophysicists  
speak a common language!

Paris, October 27th 2003

Today at the SEG 2003 annual meeting in Dallas, CGG launched **HDPIC**, a new approach to picking seismic velocities that reconciles geologists and geophysicists by delivering geologically meaningful seismic attributes. **HDPIC** is a new feature of A+ processing, CGG's fully anisotropic seismic data processing service, which exploits the Earth's anisotropy to deliver a sharper, more focused image of the reservoir.

Guillaume Cambois, CGG's executive vice president for Data Processing & Reservoir Services, explains: Geologists and geophysicists have been at odds over seismic velocities for the last forty years. Our **HDPIC** technology at last offers a way of getting them to agree by delivering attributes that geologists can interpret while flattening the gathers!

Velocities are critical for both geologists and geophysicists but do not necessarily mean the same thing to each discipline. Until now, anisotropy, which must be handled properly for velocities to become geologically meaningful, has remained unresolved by prestack migration schemes. With CGG's **HDPIC** technology, the effects of anisotropy are effectively separated from velocity estimation so that the resulting fields make more geological sense.

The launch of **HDPIC** further reinforces CGG's reputation as an innovative technological leader in seismic data processing & reservoir services.

The Compagnie Générale de Géophysique group is a global participant in the oilfield services industry, providing a wide range of seismic data acquisition, processing and geoscience services and software to clients in the oil and gas exploration and production business. It is also a global manufacturer of geophysical equipment.

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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.

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Date: October 28th 2003

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