## Third Quarter 2005 Results (9M05)

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## **GAS NATURAL – 9M05 Results** Highlights (I)



Moving towards a more solid and flexible Group, in line with Strategic Plan

Improving operating business performance despite difficult market and regulatory conditions

Focus on organic growth with higher investments in core businesses

> Developing a strong position in the Up + Midstream chain

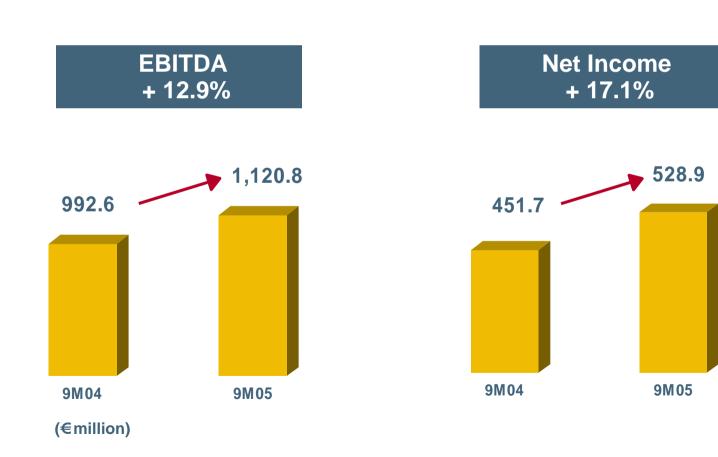


- Adapting supply conditions to a more volatile environment
- Allow significant EBITDA recovery throughout the year
- +18% in gas distribution (Spain + LatAm)
- +39% in electricity generation in Spain
- Underpin GAS NATURAL's high growth potential
- Gassi Touil + Gassi Chergui
- Agreement with Repsol YPF on Up + Midstream
- Gassi Touil + Repsol YPF set the basis of future opportunities in this area

## **GAS NATURAL – 9M05 Results** Highlights (II)



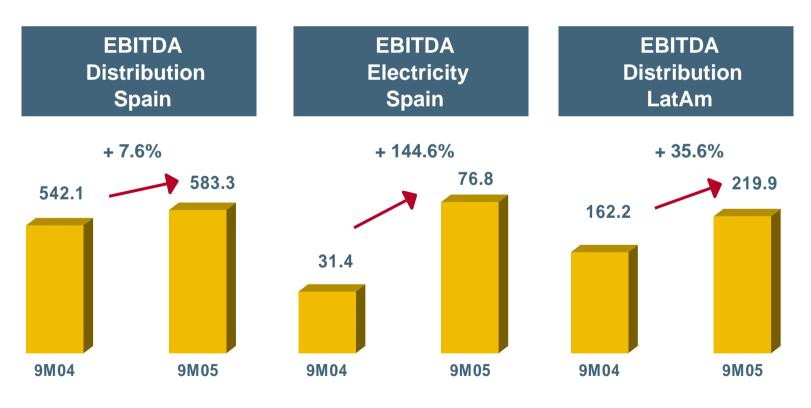
Consolidating overall performance...



## GAS NATURAL – 9M05 Results Highlights (III)



... backed by consistent organic growth from all lines of business...

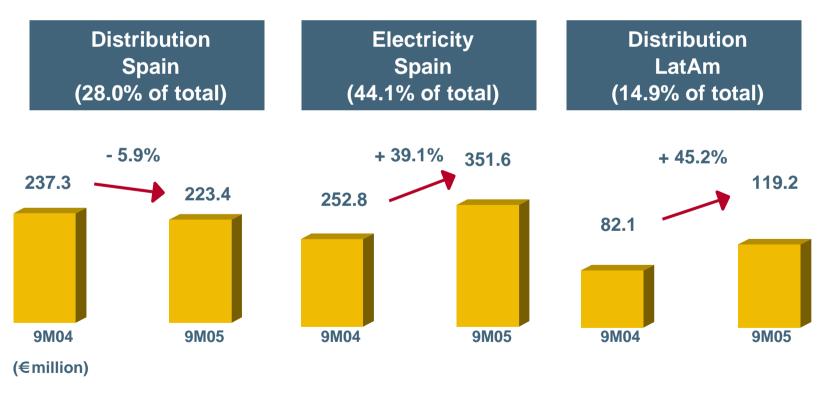


(€million)

## **GAS NATURAL – 9M05 Results** Highlights (IV)



... and supported by focused investment <sup>(1)</sup> in core business



<sup>(1)</sup> Tangible & Intangible

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## 9M05 Results Snapshot

#### Main Aggregates



	9M05	9M04	Change (%)
Net Sales	5,782.5	4,434.6	30.4
EBITDA	1,120.8	992.6	12.9
Operating Income	722.1	652.3	10.7
Net Income	528.9	451.7	17.1
Average no. of Shares (million)	447.8	447.8	-
EBITDA per Share (€)	2.5	2.2	12.9
Net Income per Share (€)	1.2	1.0	17.1
Investments:	1,089.8	1,138.0	-4.2
Tangible & Intangible	798.0	654.8	21.9
Financial & Other	291.8	483.2	-39.6
Net Debt (as of 30/09)	3,245.1	2,638.1	23.0

(€million)

## 9M05 Results Snapshot

#### **Income Statement**



	9M05	<b>9M04</b>
Net Sales	5,782.5	4,434.6
Purchases	-4,017.2	-2,931.9
Gross Margin	1,765.3	1,502.7
Personnel, net	-187.5	-153.3
Other Expenses, net	-457.0	-356.8
EBITDA	1,120.8	992.6
Depreciation	-378.3	-323.4
Provisions	-20.4	-16.9
Operating Income	722.1	652.3
Financial Results, net	-165.7	-105.8
Net Lost from Assets Deterioration	-0.4	0.0
Equity Income	33.0	48.2
Capital Gains	215.8	61.5
Income Before Tax	804.8	656.2
Taxes	-223.5	-169.7
Minority Interest	-52.4	-34.8
Net Income	528.9	451.7

(€million)

#### **9M05 Results Snapshot** EBITDA Breakdown



	9M05	<b>9M04</b>	%	(
Gas Distribution:	821.7	719.0	14.3	
Spain	583.3	542.1	7.6	
LatAm	219.9	162.2	35.6	
Italy	18.5	14.7	25.9	
Electricity:	121.3	72.6	67.1	
Spain	76.8	31.4	144.6	
Puerto Rico	44.5	41.2	8.0	
Gas Supply:	163.1	184.5	-11.6	
Up + Midstream	125.0	118.7	5.3	
Wholesale & Retail	38.1	65.8	-42.1	
Other	14.7	16.5	-10.9	
Total EBITDA	1,120.8	992.6	12.9	

#### (€million)

Gas Distribution: 73.3% of total EBITDA and growing 14.3% vs. 9M04

#### **9M05 Results Snapshot** Investments

**Distribution Spain** 

**Distribution LatAm** 

**Distribution Italy** 

**Electricity Spain** 

Up + Midstream

Other

Total

Wholesale & Retail

**Electricity Puerto Rico** 

**Investments (Tangible & Intangible)** 

**9M05** 

223.4

119.2

46.2

351.6

3.5

8.4

8.0

37.7

798.0

**9M04** 

237.3

82.1

8.9

6.2

29.2

4.8

33.5

654.8

252.8



49%	2%		
	Distribution Electricity	Gas Others	

(€million)

Investments set basis for future profits growth

84% of Investments in Euro

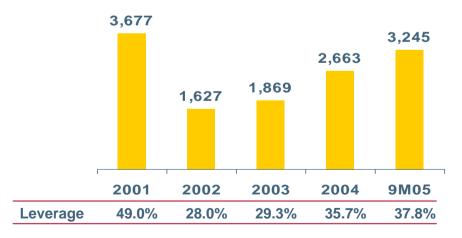
#### 9M05 Results Snapshot Capital Structure



	30/09/05	31/12/04
EBITDA/Net Interest	6.8x	8.7x
Net Debt/EBITDA	2.2x	2.0x
Leverage	37.8%	35.7%

#### **Financial Ratios**

#### Net Debt (€million) & Leverage <sup>(1)</sup>



#### Debt Facilities as of September 30, 2005 (€million)

	Drawn	Undrawn
Lines of Credit	298	860
Loans	2,582	-
<b>Capital Markets</b>	656	2,375
Cash Placements	-	291
Total	3,536	3,526

## Flexibility to pursue envisaged strategic growth

In line with "A" long term rating target

<sup>(1)</sup> 2004 and 9M05 figures under IFRS

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#### **Debt Structure**

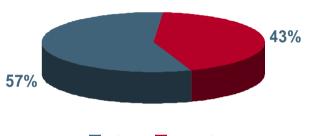
#### Total Gross Debt: €3,536 million



#### **Breakdown by Currency**

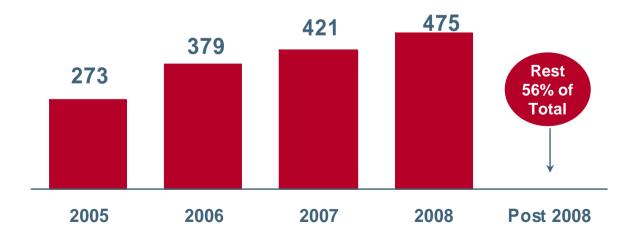


#### Fixed vs Floating Rate



Fixed Floating

#### **Debt Repayment Schedule (€million)**



## **GAS NATURAL – 9M05 Results**



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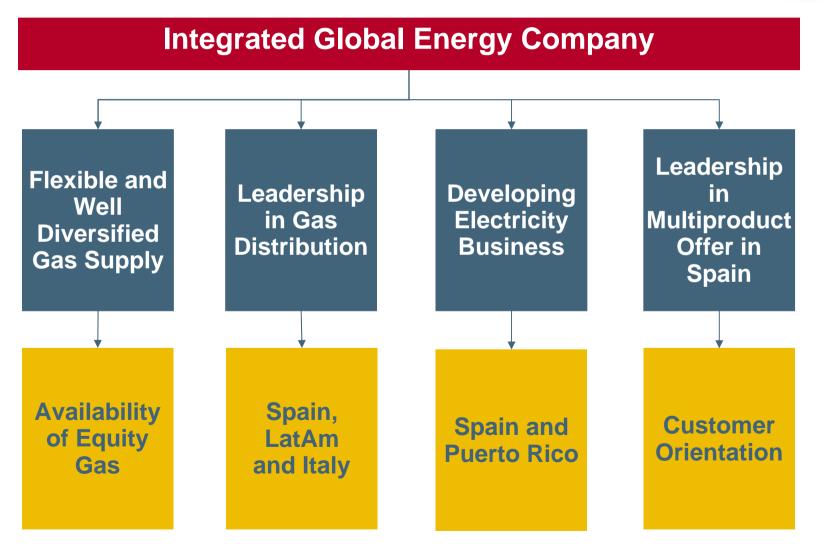
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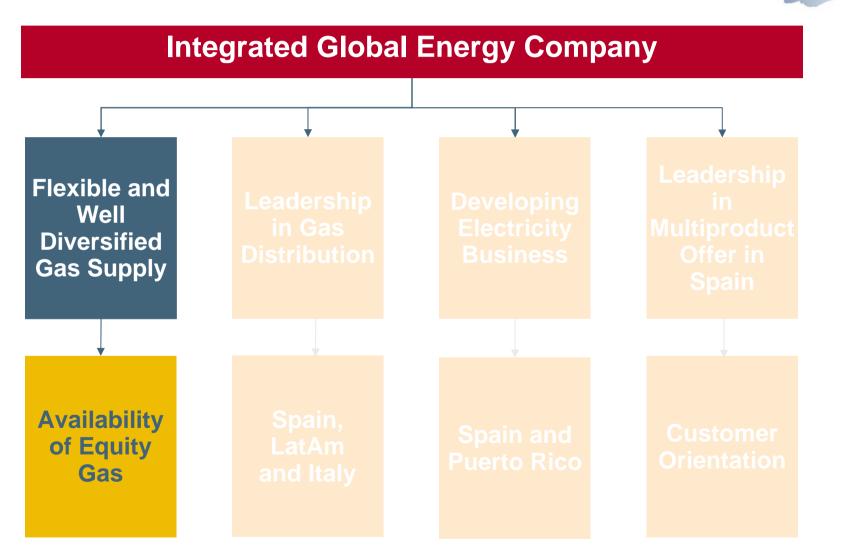
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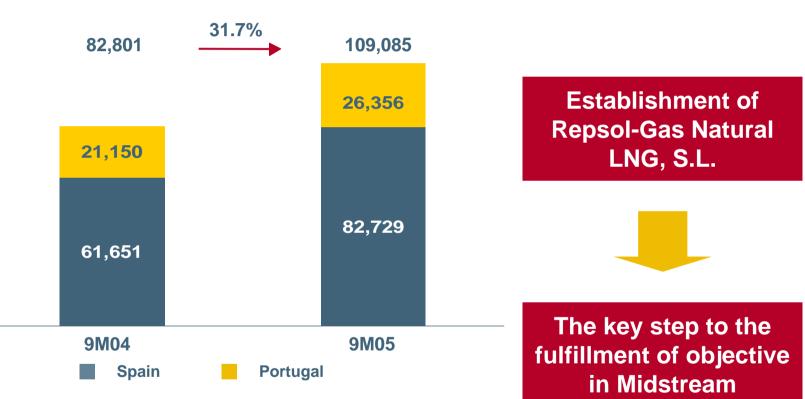
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#### **9M05 Results Analysis by Activity** Gas Supply – Up + Midstream



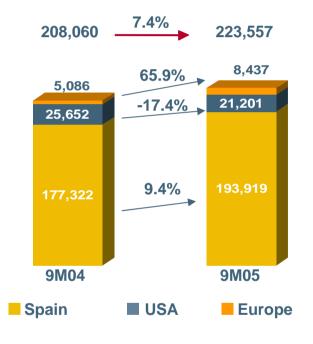


**Transportation through EMPL (GWh)** 

- EBITDA: €125.0 million, +5.3%
- Lower use of fleet (76% vs 91% in 9M04)
- Startup of Gassi Touil LNG integrated project
- Considering potential participation in other midstream and upstream projects with Repsol-YPF

#### **9M05 Results Analysis by Activity** Gas Supply – Wholesale & Retail





#### **Total (GWh)**

#### Spain (GWh)

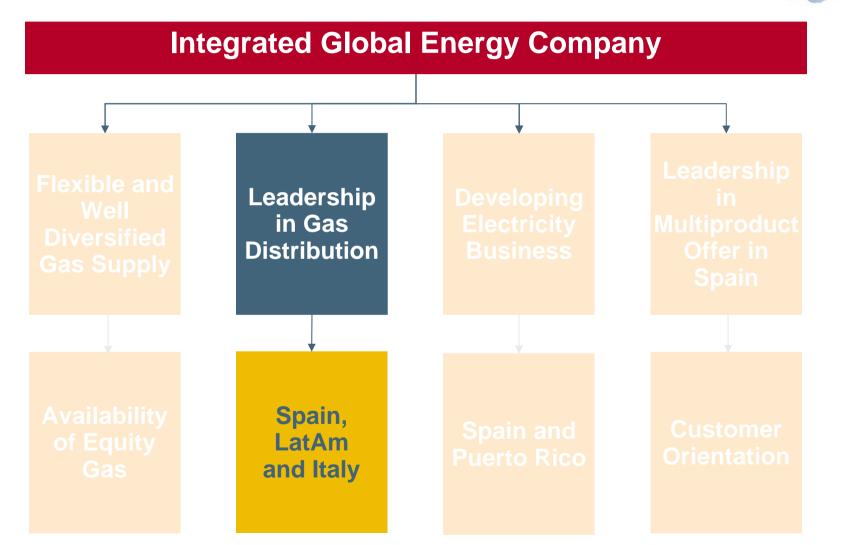


Reshaping the procurement and customer portfolios

October price review recognises CMP extra cost for 2005

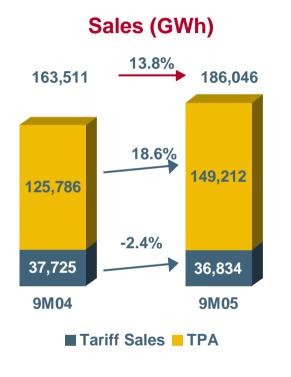
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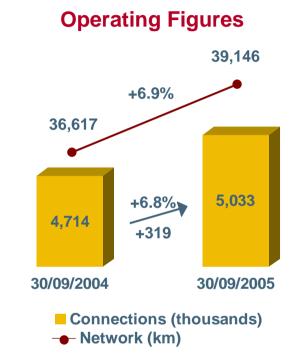




# **9M05 Results Analysis by Activity** Gas Distribution in Spain



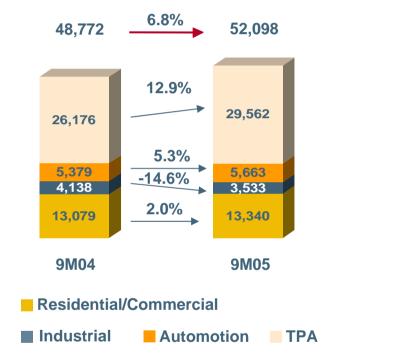




- Regulated sales fell less than expected due to the higher than usual sales to conventional thermal generation
- Growth in connections and distribution network in accordance with Plan as well as with the parameters for the year's Regulated Remuneration

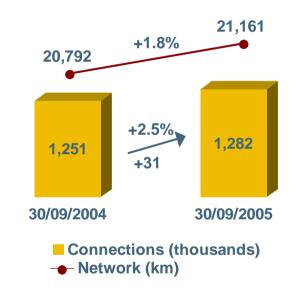
## **9M05 Results Analysis by Activity** Gas Distribution in Argentina





#### Sales (GWh)

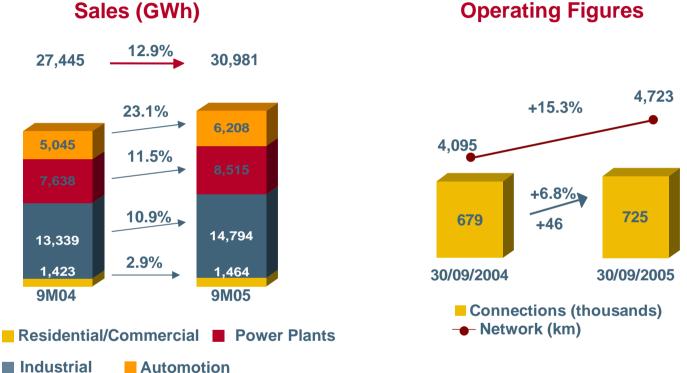
#### **Operating Figures**



- EBITDA: €24.9m, -18%
- Lower sales to residential/industrial compensated by higher TPAs
- Negotiations underway for tariff increase for the year 2005, setting basis for stable tariff regime

#### 9M05 Results Analysis by Activity Gas Distribution in Brazil



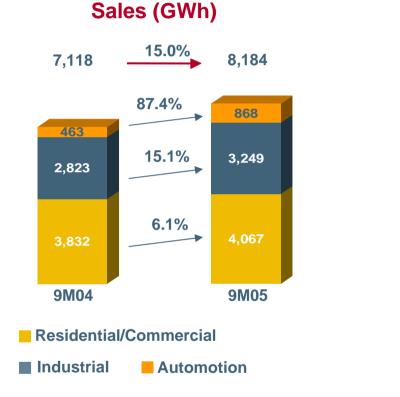


#### Sales (GWh)

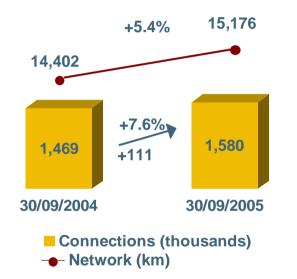
- EBITDA: 102% in Euro, partly for full consolidation of CEG and CEG Rio
- 5-year regulatory review completed
- Solid growth in every one of the market segments with successful development of automotion segment

# **9M05 Results Analysis by Activity** Gas Distribution in Colombia





#### **Operating Figures**



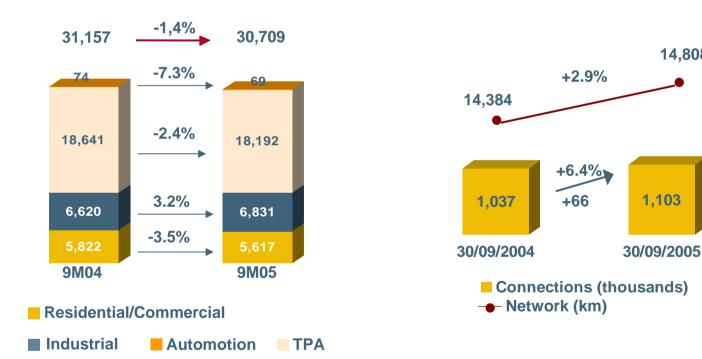
- EBITDA: €62.5m, + 37.4%
- Tariff review completed in 2H04 with 27% average increase in tariffs
- Activity growth above Plan despite high market penetration

#### 9M05 Results Analysis by Activity Gas Distribution in Mexico



**Operating Figures** 

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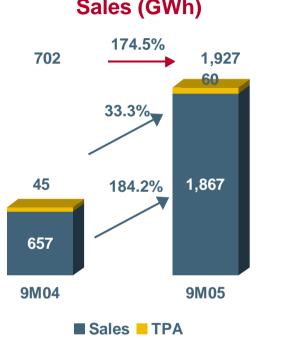


Sales (GWh)

- EBITDA: €51.6m, + 11% helped by higher tariffs despite lower sales
- Activity stagnation due to high demand elasticity to rising gas prices and competition from substitute fuels

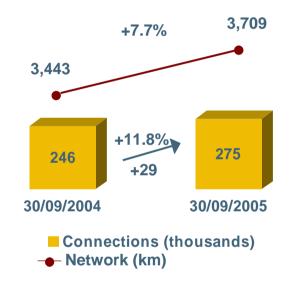
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#### Sales (GWh)

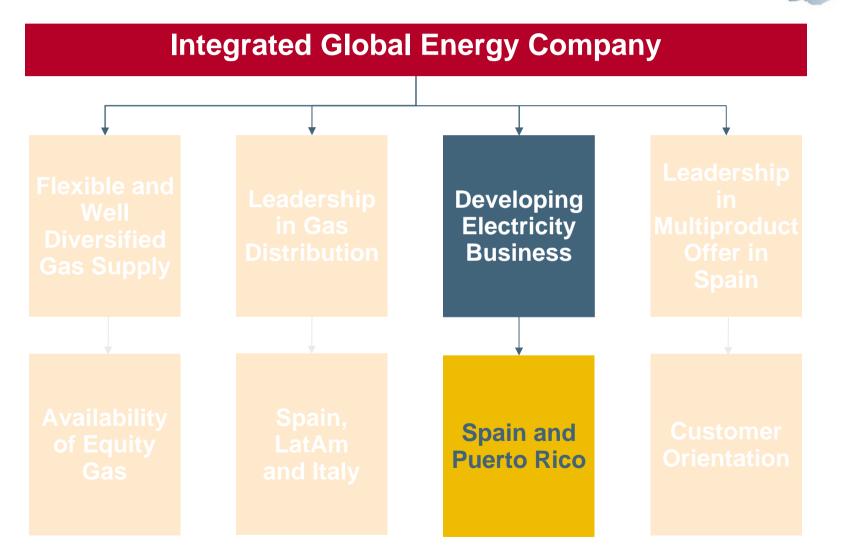


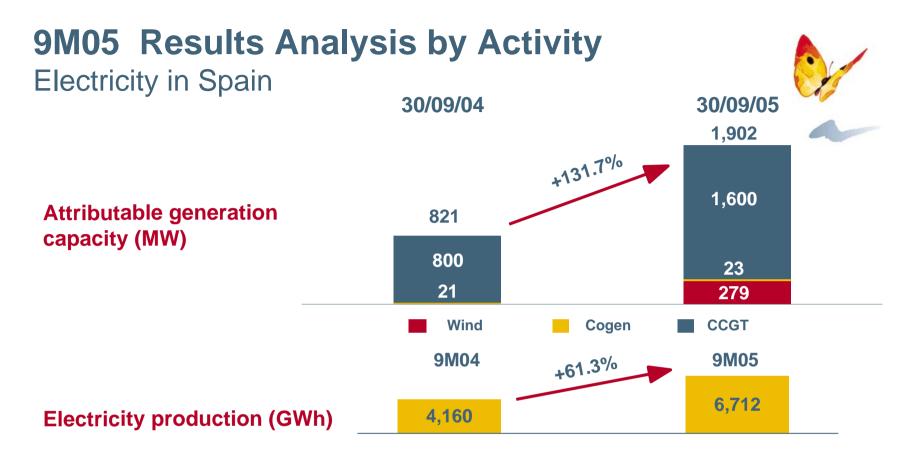


- EBITDA: €18.5m (+25.9%) showing consolidation of GAS NATURAL's activity in the country
- Regulated tariffs subject to seasonality
- Leveraging on our capacity to develop the gas distribution business: + 11.8% connections and +7.7% network

### **9M05 Results Analysis by Activity** Our Commitment (2004-2008) – Electricity







- CCGTs: Cartagena (1,200 MW) synchronised to the grid and Plana del Vent (800 MW) in progress
- 119% coverage of supply in 9M05
- EBITDA: €76.8m +144.6%

4.1% market share in electricity generation

Inconsistency in regulatory regime: shortfall not accounted

## **9M05 Results Analysis by Activity** Electricity in Puerto Rico



**Electricity Generation through EcoEléctrica (50%)** 

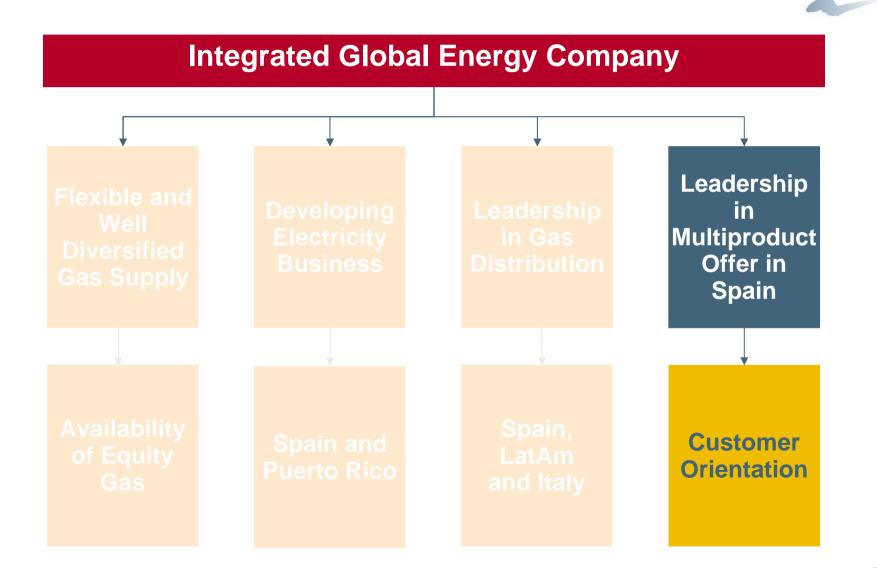


- Attributable generation capacity: 271 MW
- New CCGT at Mayagüez in early development phase

Load factor in 9M05: 68% vs 66% in 9M04 EBITDA: €44.5m, +8.0%

## 9M05 Results Analysis by Activity

Our Commitment (2004-2008) – Multiproduct Offer in Spain



#### **9M05 Results Analysis by Activity** Multiproduct Offer in Spain



- Commercial network: 875 points of sale (own, franchised and associated)
- GAS NATURAL continues to enjoy the benefits from a a strong and well-established brand all over Spain

1.5 million eligible residential gas customers

82% residential gas customers retained

1.3 million maintenance contracts

0.5 million residential electricity customers

1.46 contracts per customer as of September 30, 2005. In line with 2004-2008 Strategic Plan (>2 contracts by 2008)

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## **GAS NATURAL – Conclusions**



- Consistent organic growth in all business lines:
  - Strong performance in Distribution, both in Spain and LatAm
  - Increased contribution from electricity, driven by new and efficient CCGT and Wind
- Sustained growth in worldwide total end connections to 10.0 million
- Focused and growing investments in core business
- Increasing shareholder remuneration

Solid financial position, coupled with strong cash flow generation, provide full flexibility to pursue envisaged growth, maintaining "A" category rating

## Thank you

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