



First half 2010 results

Enagás' net profit climbs 18.4% to €165.1Mn

- **Conventional demand for natural gas advanced 10.5% year-on-year**
- **The company invested €415.3Mn, in line with its 2010 budget**
- **Average net finance expense fell to 2.67% in the period from 2.96% in the first half of 2009**
- **2010 net profit is expected to be in line with company guidance, with growth of around 10%**

Enagás reported net profit for the first six Months of 2010 of €165.1Mn, an 18.4% increase on the figure of €139.5Mn to 30 June 2009.

EBIT for the first half totalled €265.3Mn, 16.4% higher than the year-earlier figure of €227.8Mn.

EBITDA totalled €385.1Mn, 16.5% higher than the previous year's figure of €330.5Mn.

This increase is largely due to the company's cost cutting efforts and strict application of its Efficiency and Cost Control Containment Plan during the first half.

These earnings were also shaped by the 15.5% increase in regulated revenue in the first six months.

This growth should ease over the course of the year towards the announced 10% increase in net profit for 2010.



Financial position

The company's strict financial policy saw a 2.67% reduction in the average cost of debt in the first half, compared to 2.96% in the same period last year.

At the end of the first half, Enagás' financial resources totalled €2,176Mn giving it sufficient funds, on excellent term and cost conditions, to carry out its entire capex programme.

Net debt at 30 June 2010 stood at €2,915.8Mn, compared to €2,537.3Mn in the same period last year. The gearing ratio (net debt/total assets) at the end of the first half was 45.4%, compared to 48% the year before.

Capital expenditure

During the first six months of the year, Enagás invested 415.3 million euros while This figure includes the acquisitions of 25% of the Bilbao Regasification Plant (BBG) and 82% of Gaviota underground storage facility.

€171.7Mn worth of assets were put into operation.

Operating highlights

Demand for gas in the conventional sector —domestic-commercial, industrial and cogeneration consumption — rose 10.5% in the half-year compared to the prior-year figure, largely due to the lower temperatures and higher industrial consumption. Demand for electricity generation eased 14.2% due to higher wind and hydro output.

Total demand for gas transported in the system in the period rose 1.5% year-on-year to 200,903 GWh. Including exports, demand for gas transported in the system advanced 3.2% year-on-year.

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