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FORM 6-K 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 May, 2006

GENERAL COMPANY OF GEOPHYSICS (translation of registrant s name into English)

1, rue Leon Migaux, 91341 MASSY FRANCE (address of principal executive offices)

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COMPAGNIE GENERALE DE GEOPHYSIQUE

Paris, May 15th 2006

Compagnie Generale de Geophysique (ISIN: FR0000120164; NYSE: GGY)) today announces the conversion of the remaining 18% of its 7.75% USD 85 million convertible bonds due 2012 issued on November 4, 2004.

The amendment to the terms of the convertible bonds announced on April 5, 2006, after having been approved by the general meeting of bondholders held on that date, was approved by the general meeting of CGG shareholders held on May 11, 2006. The early conversion period was open on May 12, 2006 only.

At the conclusion of the conversion period, the remaining 2,525 convertible bonds due 2012 were converted, leading to the issuance of 274,914 new shares.

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The Compagnie Generale de Geophysique 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 through its subsidiary Sercel.

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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: May 15th 2006 By /Gerard CHAMBOVET/

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