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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### **FORM 10-K/A**

Amendment No. 2

# ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004

Commission File Number 333-68630

# **Edison Mission Energy**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

95-4031807 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

18101 Von Karman Avenue
Irvine, California
(Address of principal executive offices)

**92612** (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (949) 752-5588

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Not Applicable

None

| (Title of Class)   | (Name of each exchange on which registered)  |
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| Securities registered p  | ursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:   |
|  | k, par value \$0.01 per share (Title of Class)   |
|  | orts required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Acd that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject |
|  | to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be xy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Forn           |
| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated fil  | er (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). YES o NO $\circ$  |
| Aggregate market value of the registrant s Common Stock held b outstanding of the registrant s Common Stock as of March 10, 20 | by non-affiliates of the registrant as of June 30, 2004: \$0. Number of shares 2005: 100 shares (all shares held by an affiliate of the registrant).             |
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### EXPLANATORY NOTE

| The annual report on Form 10-K/A for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004 is being filed to include in Part IV, Item 15, financial statements with respect to ISAB Energy S.r.l., which were omitted from the annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004 filed on March 16, 2005. |
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| This Amendment No. 2 does not update any other disclosures to reflect developments since the original date of filing.   |
| The following item of the original filing is amended by this Amendment No. 2:   |
| Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules   |
| Unaffected items have not been repeated in this Amendment No. 2.  |
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EXPLANATORY NOTE 3

#### PART IV

### ITEM 15. EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a) (1) List of Financial Statement

None

(2) List of Financial Statement Schedules

The following item is filed as a part of this report pursuant to Item 15(c) of Form 10-K:

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Investment in Unconsolidated Affiliates Financial Statements:

ISAB Energy S.r.l. Financial Statements as of December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002

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(b) Exhibits

The following documents are filed as part of this Form 10-K/A:

| Exhibit No. | Description   |
|-------------|---|
| 31.1        | Certification of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. |
| 31.2        | Certification of the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. |
| 32          | Statement Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350.   |

#### (c) Financial Statement Schedules

The financial statements with respect to ISAB Energy S.r.l., which meets the definition of a foreign business as defined in Rule 1-02(1) of Regulation S-X, are being filed in this report pursuant to Rule 3-09 of Regulation S-X. These statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Italy which differ from generally accepted accounting principles in the United States. See Note 10 to the financial statements on page 59.

| ISAB | Energy | S.r.l. |
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Annual report for the year ended December 31st 2004

**Directors Report on Operations** 

#### **Board of Directors**

| Jonathan Gibson        | Chairman        |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Roberto del Bravo      | Deputy Chairman |
| Filippo Bifulco        | Director        |
| Pier Francesco Pinelli | Director        |
| Makoto Ichikawa        | Director        |

### **Board of Statutory Auditors**

| Maria Sarno      | Chairman         |
|------------------|------------------|
| Antonio Ippoliti | Standing Auditor |
| Mario Pacciani   | Standing Auditor |

**External Auditors** 

Reconta Ernst & Young S.p.A.

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#### **ISAB Energy Structure**

ISAB Energy, of which 51% is held by ERG Power & Gas S.r.l. and 49% by MEC Priolo B.V. - Holland, is owner of the Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle plant in Priolo Gargallo (Syracuse), built near the refinery of ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee (ERG Med).

The plant is capable of generating 507 MW guaranteed net power and during the year generated 4,452 GWh.

#### Main economic and financial data

The currency in which the figures of this annual report are expressed is Euro. In the tables where the figures are indicated in millions the total amounts may differ from the total amounts which they comprise.

|   | 2004<br>(millions of<br>Euro) | 2003  | 2002  |
|---|-------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Total revenues                              | 478                           | 423   | 442   |
| EBITDA                                      | 224                           | 179   | 208   |
| EBIT  | 177                           | 132   | 162   |
| Profit or loss from ordinary activities     | 148                           | 93    | 115   |
| Extraordinary net income (charges)          |                               |       |       |
| Net profit or loss for the financial period | 90                            | 81    | 107   |
|   |                               |       |       |
| Cash flow from activities                   | 184                           | 174   | 124   |
| Cash flow related to investments            | (8)                           | (13)  | (12)  |
| Cash flow from capital and reserves         | (39)                          | (18)  | (34)  |
| Net variation of financial debt             | 137                           | 142   | 79    |
|   |                               |       |       |
| Total capital and reserves                  | 257                           | 206   | 144   |
| Net financial debt                          | 412                           | 550   | 692   |
| Net capital invested                        | 670                           | 756   | 836   |
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| Employees (units at end of period)          | 11                            | 20    | 19    |
| Electricity production in GWh               | 4,452                         | 4,000 | 4,197 |
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| Report on Operations   |
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| The construction of the plant was financed through Non-Recourse Project Financing amounting to 971 million Euro.   |
| ISAB Energy generates electricity using gas produced from the gasification of heavy residues from the crude oil refining process at the ERG Med refinery nearby. The electricity generated is sold to the National Grid (Gestore della Rete di Trasmissione Nazionale)) at the CIP 6 tariff. To that regards it should be noted that in application of the Bersani Decree (Legislative Decree of 16 March 1999), the Ministry of Industry resolved to transfer all rights and obligations relative to Italian third party purchase of energy from ENEL S.p.A. to the National Grid effective as of January 1 2001. |
| Comment on the results for the year  |
| The 2004 financial statements expressed in Euro show a profit of Euro 89.7 million (compared to a profit of Euro 80.5 million in 2003) after depreciation amounting to Euro 47.6 million (Euro 46.6 million in 2003).  |
| The results reflect the plant s high reliability during the year whose utilisation level reached 92%.  |
| These financial statements have been audited by Reconta Ernst & Young S.p.A  |
| Events which took place during the financial period  |
| The most significant events which took place in 2004 are outlined below:   |
| on 16 December, Edison Mission Energy Ltd. sold its share of Mec Priolo B.V. to IPM Eagle LLP which as a result changes the controlling shareholder of the company which holds 49% of ISAB Energy.   |
| net generation by year-end reached 4,452 GWh and 92% was obtained from syngas. Compared to the   |

previous year this reflects the plant s increased reliability. Lower down time due to maintenance and minor accidents

allowed electricity generation to increase by over 10% compared to the previous year;

the electricity was sold at a provisional rate of Euro 102.7 per MWh (CIP 6/92 rate) except for a minor amount sold (2.2%) at the surplus tariff. Based on methane price trends, which are presumed to rise (2004 over 2003) by +5.9%, the final price for 2004 is estimated at Euro 105.2 per MWh (+2.4% compared to the provisional price). In any case, it should be noted that the final value will be published by the Rate Adjustment Body for the Electricity Sector at the end of April;

the National Grid requested the plant not to despatch power for the equivalent of 283.7 hours. It should be noted that the Operator s yearly limit to exercise this right is equal to 320 hours for a total of 2,400 hours maximum over the first eight years the plant is in operation.

the plant s increased efficiency during the year allowed ISAB Energy to purchase a higher quantity of raw materials than the minimum quota therefore there were no Purchaser Shortfall costs;

as a result of declarations issued by our company and the adequate documentation provided to the National Grid, based on production in 2003 the plant was granted cogeneration status for the year 2004 pursuant to resolution 42/02 of the Electricity and Gas Authority. Therefore, our company is not compelled to buy green certificates as required by the Bersani Decree;

concerning insurance claims, on 19 February 2004, the last instalment of 1.5 million was paid to the company for accidents which occurred after take over.

after specific authorisation from the banks and in consideration of the minutes of the meeting of the board of directors held on 14 June 2004, the general shareholders meeting of 19 July 2004 resolved to distribute dividends amounting to Euro 39 million from retained earnings. Euro 4.6 million was paid to the group company ISAB Energy Services relative to price components in accordance with the Operation & Maintenance Agreement. As a result of an amendment to the PCFA, the company adjusted the Insurance Reserve to Euro 22.4 million and made Euro 6.8 million of advance repayments to the banks of tranches B and C;

in March 2004, after defining the Maintenance Programme for the current cycle of 2004 2007, the Maintenance Reserve amounting to Euro 6.3 million was set up. This provision should guarantee coverage for any major maintenance costs not covered by regular financial resources;

interest accrued up to 31/12/2003 totalling Euro 6.1 million was paid to the financing companies in accordance with the Subordinated Loan Agreements:

1) Erg Power & Gas Spa : Euro 3.1 million 2) Edison Mission Energy : Euro 2.6 million 3) MEC Priolo B.V. : Euro 0.4 million

effective December 2004, the interest rate swap relating to tranche B, already underwritten with Barclay s Capital was partly renewed with the entrance of Banca Intesa, Unicredit and M.C.C.

after Edison Mission Energy s sale of its holdings in ISAB Energy Srl, Ponama Holdings Limited took over its obligations under the Subordinated Loan Agreement effective 16 December 2004 with the assumption of debt amounting to Euro 18.2 million. This transfer required the updating of several financing agreements in particular the Deed of Undertaking dated 16 December 2004, IPM Eagle LLP undertook obligations as per the Sponsor Agreement; with the Deed of Assignment, International Power PLC entered in the O&M Direct Agreement and as a result in the O&M Guarantee. Lastly, Ponama Holdings Limited, International Power PLC and IPM Eagle LLP became New Subordinated Creditors of the Intercreditor Agreement.

on 21 December the board of directors of ERG S.p.A. resolved to take part in the national tax consolidation act for the three-year period of 2004-2006 as consolidator with most of its subsidiary companies including ISAB Energy. This was communicated to the tax authorities on 27 December.

#### Relations with the tax authorities

In consideration of the report on findings after the audit by the tax authorities for the year 1999 a risk provision amounting to Euro 0.2 million was created as of 31.12.2002 which is still adequate to face any such tax burdens.

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#### Relations with the banks

As already mentioned, in the month of April the insurance policies covering the plants were renewed as provided for by the Project Credit Facility Agreement (PCFA). The on-going crisis in the insurance sector and in particular in the energy sector, as mentioned, prevented the company from obtaining the cover required by the banks.

Consequentially, the company and the banks reached an agreement whereby ISAB Energy obtained exemption from the block on dividends and subordinate debt repayments totalling Euro 50.0 million, agreeing in exchange to maintain Euro 22.4 million in the Insurance Reserve. This provision guarantees the banks against the higher risk of having a higher number of deductible days of business interruption over what is set forth in the Project Credit Facility Agreement. The company has also made a partial advance repayment of debt for a total of Euro 6.8 million which has improved prospective cash indices in the financial model. Lastly, the debt amortisation plan was updated in line with prospective cash flow.

#### **Contract Management**

In 2004 there were no significant developments in contracts signed by ISAB Energy with the parent company ERG Power & Gas for services relative to administration, plant management, sales and programming. All other on-going contracts carried on normally and the contract with ERG S.p.A. was renewed relative to IT systems linked to the use of SAP.

#### IT and telecommunications systems

For what concerns infrastructure, the local network was upgraded to 1 gigabit/s and security related to Internet access was increased using the best technology and services available on the market. A project is ready to cover the entire plant with a WiFi network.

The MIS system was completely upgraded to make it Web enabled and accessible from any PC connected to the Internet.

A business intelligence system was implemented to generate company reports on purchasing, maintenance and investments.

The Gepad and Sigef (ex GeFer) projects were completed thereby improving company investment processes and the planning of extraordinary maintenance shutdowns.

The program that enables electronic archiving of both incoming and outgoing documents, faxes and emails as well as internal correspondence, had a significant impact. This way all documents with significant importance to the company are available over the Internet.

### Management and coordination

Our company is under the management and coordination of ERG S.p.A.

In particular, these activities are carried out through the definition of business strategies, indication of strategic guidelines relative to overall organisation and policies concerning employees, management of tax issues above-all concerning planning, management of communications policies, management of environmental issues, health and safety.

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#### Staff

In 2004, in line with the process to decentralise specific ERG centrally managed activities and the consequential transfer of related shareholdings to the operating companies, 9 employees belonging to Administration, Finance and IT Systems, Sales and Production Planning and Performance, Quality, Environment and Safety, were transferred from ISAB Energy to the sub holding ERG Power & Gas with a service agreement being signed between the two companies.

#### **Summary financial statements**

#### **Profit and Loss Account**

|  | 2004<br>(thousands of Euro) | 2003      | 2002      |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Revenues                                       | 477,035                     | 417,487   | 420,912   |
| Other revenues and income                      | 534                         | 5,579     | 21,400    |
| Total revenues                                 | 477,569                     | 423,066   | 442,312   |
| Purchase costs                                 | (182,502)                   | (170,620) | (164,117) |
| Inventory variations                           | (927)                       | (843)     | 1,075     |
| Costs for services and other operational costs | (69,188)                    | (71,569)  | (70,229)  |
| Labour costs                                   | (803)                       | (1,250)   | (1,320)   |
| EBITDA   | 224,149                     | 178,784   | 207,721   |
| Depreciation                                   | (47,566)                    | (46,575)  | (45,776)  |
| EBIT   | 176,583                     | 132,209   | 161,945   |
| Net financial income (charges)                 | (28,719)                    | (39,636)  | (47,232)  |
| Net income (charges) from equity investments   |                             |           |           |
| Profit from ordinary activities                | 147,864                     | 92,573    | 114,713   |
| Net extraordinary income (charges)             |                             | (332)     | (391)     |
| Profit before taxes                            | 147,864                     | 92,242    | 114,321   |
| Income tax                                     | (58,122)                    | (11,694)  | (7,362)   |
| Net profit (loss) for the year                 | 89,742                      | 80,548    | 106,959   |

#### Revenues

The revenues consist of the sale of electricity to the National Grid amounting to Euro 463 million and approximately Euro14 million from the sale of minor products and utilities.

#### Other revenues and income

Other revenues and income are from leasing contracts and various revenues for services to group companies. In 2003 there was an insurance indemnity for Euro 4.5 million and in 2002 there was a penalty paid by the Snamprogetti Foster Wheeler Energy consortium for a claim of Euro 21 million.

| Purchase Costs   |
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| Purchase Costs mainly refer to the supply of feedstock, other fuel oils, oxygen and vanadium.  |
| Costs for services and other operating costs   |
| Services received include maintenance, insurance, commercial services and technical and general consulting.  |
| Depreciation and write-downs   |
| This item includes economic-technical depreciation of tangible fixed assets amounting to Euro 38.7 million and intangible assets amounting to Euro 8.9 million.  |
| The average plant life has been estimated at 23.4 years from 18 April 2000, when the IGCC plant went into production.  |
| Net financial income (charges)   |
| The financial charges in 2004 are mainly relative to interest on the financing totalling Euro 16.7 million and accessory bank charges and intermediation margins totalling Euro 4.0 million.                         |
| Financial income is relative to cash in the current accounts which earn approximately 1.055% interest on average. The difference in rates paid as a result of the Swap contract in 2004 amounts to Euro 7.1 million. |
| Income tax   |
| Current IRES amounts to Euro 41.8 million.   |
| Current IRAP has been calculated as Euro 6.5 million.  |

#### **Balance Sheet**

Below are the figures of the balance sheet compared to the figures of the previous financial period.

|  | 31.12.04<br>(thousands of Euro) | 31.12.03  | 31.12.02  |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Fixed assets                           | 691,763                         | 731,627   | 766,565   |
| Working capital                        | 23,065                          | 15,461    | 50,361    |
| Employee severance indemnity           | (105)                           | (168)     | (161)     |
| Other assets                           | 24,307                          | 20,835    | 37,154    |
| Other liabilities                      | (69,461)                        | (11,727)  | (17,897)  |
| NET CAPITAL INVESTED                   | 669,570                         | 756,029   | 836,022   |
|  |                                 |           |           |
| Shareholders funds                     | (257,113)                       | (206,371) | (144,083) |
| Medium-long term financial debt        | (478,906)                       | (567,403) | (657,618) |
| Short-term financial debt              | 66,449                          | 17,745    | (34,322)  |
| SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS AND FINANCIAL DEBTS | (669,570)                       | (756,029) | (836,022) |

As at 31 December 2004 net invested capital amounted to approximately Euro 670 million with a decrease of about Euro 86 million.

Below is an analysis of the most significant variations between 31 December 2003 and 31 December 2004.

#### **Fixed assets**

|                         | 31.12.04<br>(thousands of Euro) | 31.12.03 | 31.12.02 |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Intangible fixed assets | 39,799                          | 48,063   | 56,331   |
| Tangible fixed assets   | 651,959                         | 683,555  | 710,225  |
| Financial investments   | 5                               | 9        | 9        |
| Total                   | 691,763                         | 731,627  | 766,565  |

### Net operating capital

|                   | 12/31/04<br>(Euro in thousands) | 12/31/03 | 12/31/02 |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Inventories       | 13,811                          | 14,698   | 15,615   |
| Trade receivables | 53,832                          | 43,534   | 76,528   |
| Trade payables    | (44,578)                        | (42,771) | (41,783) |
| Total             | 23,065                          | 15,461   | 50,361   |

The inventory includes the write-down of spare parts amounting to Euro 0.9 million.

The increase of trade receivables is mainly due to the increased production obtained in the last month of the year and to the adjustment on electricity generation.

The short-term trade payables increased due to the higher value of the services and supplies received.

#### Other assets

|   | 31.12.04 (thousands of Euro) | 31.12.03 | 31.12.02 |
|---|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Short term tax receivables                | 8,091                        | 1,511    | 5,950    |
| Other short-term receivables              | 3,908                        | 4,189    | 17,955   |
| Short-term prepayments and accrued income | 3,099                        | 4,274    | 3,989    |
| Medium-long term amounts tax receivables  | 4,053                        | 5,156    | 3,231    |
| Other medium-long term receivables        | 5,156                        | 5,705    | 6,030    |
| Total                                     | 24,307                       | 20,835   | 37,154   |

Short-term tax receivables mainly increased as a result of the tax on reserves.

#### Other liabilities

|   | 31.12.04<br>(thousands of Euro) | 31.12.03 | 31.12.02 |
|---|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Short-term tax payables                 | (40,416)                        | (2,477)  | (2,497)  |
| Other short-term payables               | (205)                           | (1,294)  | (4,790)  |
| Short-term accruals and deferred income | (292)                           | (369)    | (543)    |
| Other provisions for risks and charges  | (28,549)                        | (7,587)  | (10,068) |
| Total                                   | (69,461)                        | (11,727) | (17,897) |

The item short-term tax payables includes the expected tax charges IRES/IRAP of the period net of amounts paid and tax credits.

Other provisions include:

the provision for cyclical maintenance which during the year registered an allocation of Euro 7.5 million and shows a total balance of Euro 14.8 million;

the provision for deferred taxes amounting to Euro 13.0 million.

#### Net financial debt

Below is a table containing figures on medium-long term financial debt for ISAB Energy S.r.l.

|  | 31.12.04<br>(thousands of Euro) | 31.12.03 | 31.12.02  |
|--|---------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Medium-long term amounts owed to banks | 510,307                         | 593,811  | 700,142   |
| Other medium-long term amounts owed    | 53,017                          | 57,654   | 81,425    |
| Current amount of loans and financing  | (84,418)                        | (84,063) | (123,949) |
| Total                                  | 478,906                         | 567,403  | 657,618   |

Short-term financial debt is as follows:

|                                    | 31.12.04<br>(thousands of Euro) | 31.12.03  | 31.12.02 |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Short-term amounts owed to banks   | 79,760                          | 77,011    | 97,598   |
| Other short-term amounts owed      | 4,657                           | 7,051     | 26,351   |
| Short-term financial liabilities   | 84,418                          | 84,063    | 123,949  |
|                                    |                                 |           |          |
| Cash on hand                       | (150,867)                       | (101,761) | (85,101) |
| Other short-term financial amounts | 0                               | (47)      | (4,526)  |
| Short term financial amounts       | (150,867)                       | (101,808) | (89,627) |
|                                    |                                 |           |          |
| TOTAL                              | (66,449)                        | (17,745)  | 34,322   |
|                                    |                                 |           |          |

An analysis of the net financial debt variation during the periods in question shows the following:

|  | 2004<br>(thousands of Euro) | 2003      | 2002     |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------|----------|
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING                        |                             |           |          |
| Cash flows from current operations               | 155,356                     | 130,710   | 159,391  |
| Charges in assets and liabilities for the period | 28,885                      | 43,112    | (35,284) |
| Total  | 184,241                     | 173,822   | 124,107  |
|  |                             |           |          |
| CASH FLOW FROM INVESTMENT                        |                             |           |          |
| Investment                                       | (8,045)                     | (13,378)  | (12,059) |
| Disposal   | 5                           | 97        |          |
| Total  | (8,040)                     | (13,280)  | (12,059) |
|  |                             |           |          |
| CASH FLOW FROM CAPITAL                           |                             |           |          |
| Capital increase                                 |                             |           |          |
| Contributions to capital account                 |                             |           |          |
| Dividends distributed                            | (39,000)                    | (18,260)  | (25,000) |
| Other changes to assets                          |                             |           | (8,534)  |
| Total  | (39,000)                    | (18,260)  | (33,534) |
|  |                             |           |          |
| CHANGE IN NET FINANCIAL                          | 137,201                     | 142,281   | 78,514   |
|  |                             |           |          |
| INITIAL NET FINANCIAL DEBT                       | 549,658                     | 691,939   | 770,454  |
| Change for the period                            | (137,201)                   | (142,281) | (78,514) |
| FINAL NET FINANCIAL DEBT                         | 412,457                     | 549,658   | 691,939  |

#### Equity investments in other companies

ISAB Energy S.r.l. does not hold shares in its holding companies nor in the group company ISAB Energy Services S.r.l. It holds a share of 5% of the share capital of Industria Acqua Siracusana S.p.A. a consortium for handling industrial waste water.

#### Relations with holding companies, group companies and other correlated parties

ISAB Energy S.r.l. buys the main raw material needed for production from ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee. At the same time it sells certain raw materials and auxiliary services to the same company. The relation between the two companies also includes some contracts relative to providing industrial and general services, such as:

Health assistance;
Employee administration;

Internal post;

Fire fighting services.

| ISAB Energy also receives other general services from ERG S.p.A. such as public relations and IT services and employee performance services from ERG Power & Gas S.p.A   |
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| Payment for such services is detailed in the explanatory notes.  |
| The company also has a service contract in place with ERG Power & Gas and MEC Priolo B.V., within the Sponsor Support Agreements.  |
| The relationship that ties ISAB Energy and ISAB Energy Services is regulated by the Operation and Maintenance contract which assigns ISAB Energy Services the role of plant operator and maintenance provider.   |
| For what concerns other relations with correlated parties as defined by CONSOB on 20 February 1997, and again on 27 February 1998, there are no current relations in place falling under such definition involving significant operations.   |
| Significant issues taking place after the end of the financial period  |
| There are no particularly significant issues after the end of the financial period. The company continues its positive performance and also in the first quarter of 2005 it has reached production results in line with the same period of 2004.   |
| In relation to the next general shutdown scheduled for May 2005, all the necessary activities are being completed such as procuring spare parts and carrying out necessary services to ensure timeframes are adhered to and activities are conducted with respect to worker safety conditions.   |
| In line with the spin-off process undertaken by the ERG Group, on 1 January 2005, 5 more employees from the administration and legal departments of the company were transferred to ERG Power and Gas. Consequentially the staff amount to 4. At the same time the company implemented service contracts with ERG Power & Gas to cover professional needs. |
| Expectations on operations   |
| For 2005 the company expects similar performance to that of 2004. The company expects investments of about Euro 7.8 million, of which Euro 1.6 million is intended for Health, Safety and Environment. During 2005, the packing plant for vanadium concentrate, an activity that is currently outsourced, will be completed.                               |

A general maintenance shutdown is planned for May which is expected to last for an equivalent of about 34 days and which represents the longest shutdown the plant will have experienced since its opening.

Privacy Programme document on safety

| In 2005, the ERG Group updated the Programme Document on Safety following the latest indications provided by the Authority on privacy and the new technical and organisation provisions introduced by the group IT system. A Privacy site has also been created on the company Intranet containing procedures, company forms, information and presentations on IT Privacy and Safety, these latter two are also used for internal training on the subject. |
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| Proposal from the board of directors   |
| Dear shareholders,   |
| We end the management report by asking that you:   |
| approve your company s financial statements for the financial period ending 31 December 2004;  |
| resolve on how to allocate the period profits of Euro 89,741,666, bearing in mind that there are certain limits which are set forth above in Relations with financial institutions .   |
| Rome, 23 March 2005  |
| For the board of directors   |
| The Chairman   |
| Jonathan Gibson  |
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ISAB Energy S.r.l.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

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### Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

| To the Shareholders of  |
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| Isab Energy S.r.l.  |
| We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of Isab Energy S.r.l. as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, and the related statements of income  |
| for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.  |
| W. J. J. J. H.  |
| We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. We were not engaged to perform an audit of the Company s internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company s internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion. |
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| In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Isab Energy S.r.l. as of December 31, 2004 and 2003 and the results of its operations for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in Italy.   |
|   |
| Accounting principles generally accepted in Italy vary in certain significant respects from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The application of the latter would have affected the determination of net income for each of the three years ended December 31, 2004 and the determination of shareholder s equity as of December 31, 2004 and 2003 to the extent summarized in Note 10.  |
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| Genoa, Italy  |
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### **Balance Sheet**

### Assets

|            |     |               |   | (Euro)     | 12/31/2004         |            | 12/31/2003         |
|------------|-----|---------------|---|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|
| <b>A</b> ) |     | Unpaid subso  | cribed capital  |            |                    |            |                    |
| <b>B</b> ) |     | Fixed assets  |   |            |                    |            |                    |
| ,          |     |               |   |            |                    |            |                    |
|            | I.  | Intangible as |   |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     | 1)            | Start-up and expansion costs  |            | 1,550,473          |            | 6,783,680          |
|            |     | 2)            | Research, development and advertising costs                             |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     | 3)            | Patents and right to use the intellectual                               |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     |               | property of others  |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     | 4)            | Concessions, licenses,  |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     |               | trademarks and similar rights   |            | 4,653,391          |            | 4,989,853          |
|            |     | 5)            | Goodwill  |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     | 6)            | Pending acquisitions of<br>Intangible assets and payments               |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     |               | on account  |            | 46,363             |            | 158,560            |
|            |     | 7)            | Other   |            | 33,548,668         |            | 36,131,218         |
|            |     | Total         |   |            | 39,798,895         |            | 48,063,311         |
|            |     |               |   |            |                    |            |                    |
|            | II. | Tangible asse |   |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     | 1)            | Land and buildings  |            | 15,734,759         |            | 15,768,242         |
|            |     | 2)            | Plants and machinery  |            | 631,374,648        |            | 661,256,779        |
|            |     | 3)            | Industrial and commercial   |            | 104.052            |            | 202 500            |
|            |     | 4)            | equipment<br>Other  |            | 184,952<br>594,027 |            | 202,589<br>769,944 |
|            |     | 4)<br>5)      | Pending acquisitions of tangible  |            | 394,027            |            | 709,944            |
|            |     | 3)            | assets and payments on account  |            | 4,070,913          |            | 5,557,642          |
|            |     | Total         | assets and payments on account  |            | 651,959,299        |            | 683,555,196        |
|            |     | Total         |   |            | 031,737,277        |            | 003,333,170        |
|            | III | Financial ass | ets   |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     | 1)            | Equity investments in:  |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     | Ź             | a) subsidiary companies   |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     |               | b) affiliated companies   |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     |               | c) parent companies   |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     |               | e) other companies  |            | 5,165              |            | 5,165              |
|            |     |               |   |            | 5,165              |            | 5,165              |
|            |     |               |   |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     | 2)            |   | within     |                    | within     |                    |
|            |     | 2)            | Amounts receivable  | 12 months: |                    | 12 months: |                    |
|            |     |               | a) from subsidiary companies  |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     |               | b) from affiliated companies  |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     |               | <ul><li>c) from parent companies</li><li>d) other receivables</li></ul> |            |                    |            | 3,525              |
|            |     |               | u) onici receivables  |            |                    |            | 3,525              |
|            |     |               |   |            |                    |            | 3,323              |
|            |     | 3)            | Other securities  |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     | 4)            | Own shares, with indication of  |            |                    |            |                    |
|            |     |               | their aggregate nominal value   |            |                    |            |                    |

|            | Total          |   | 5,165       | 8,690       |
|------------|----------------|---|-------------|-------------|
| TOTAL FI   | XED ASSETS (B) |   | 691,763,359 | 731,627,197 |
| <b>C</b> ) | Current ass    | ets   |             |             |
| I.         | Inventories    |   |             |             |
|            | 1)             | raw materials, ancillary materials and consumer goods | 13,273,663  | 14,345,821  |
|            | 2)             | work in progress and semi-finished goods              |             |             |
|            | 3)             | work in progress on commission                        |             |             |
|            | 4)             | finished goods and goods for sale                     | 439,346     | 294,094     |
|            | 5)             | advances  | 97,773      | 58,416      |
|            | Total          |   | 13,810,782  | 14,698,331  |
|            |                |   |             |             |
|            |                | 20  |             |             |

|      |         |                    |   | (Euro)     | 12/31/2004  |            | 12/31/2003  |
|------|---------|--------------------|---|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
|      |         |                    |   | beyond     |             | beyond     |             |
|      | II.     | Receivables        |   | 12 months: |             | 12 months: |             |
|      |         | 1)                 | trade receivables   |            | 50,596,842  |            | 39,766,025  |
|      |         | 2)                 | amounts owed by subsidiary companies                        |            |             |            |             |
|      |         | 3)                 | amounts owed by affiliated companies                        |            |             |            |             |
|      |         | 4)                 | amounts owed by associated companies                        |            | 3,202,275   |            | 3,814,525   |
|      |         | 5)                 | amounts owed by parent companie                             | es         | 3,393,383   |            |             |
|      |         | 5bis               | )tax credits  |            |             |            | 1,603,187   |
|      |         | 5ter               | )deffered tax assets  | 4,053,074  | 8,783,677   | 5,156,328  | 5,612,259   |
|      |         | 6)                 | other receivables   | 5,156,326  | 9,063,832   | 5,704,797  | 9,345,216   |
|      |         | Total              |   |            | 75,040,009  |            | 60,141,212  |
|      | III.    | Financial assets t | hat are not fixed assets                                    |            |             |            |             |
|      | 2224    | 1)                 | shareholding in subsidiary companies                        |            |             |            |             |
|      |         | 2)                 | shareholding in affiliated compani                          | es         |             |            |             |
|      |         | 3)                 | shareholding in parent companies                            |            |             |            |             |
|      |         | 4)                 | other shareholdings   |            |             |            |             |
|      |         | 5)                 | own shares, with indication of thei aggregate nominal value | r          |             |            |             |
|      |         | 6)                 | other securities  |            |             |            |             |
|      |         | Total              |   |            |             |            |             |
|      | IV.     | Cash and equival   | ents  |            |             |            |             |
|      | - ' '   | 1)                 | Bank and post-office deposits                               |            | 150,855,553 |            | 101,756,200 |
|      |         | 2)                 | Bank checks   |            | 100,000,000 |            | 101,700,200 |
|      |         | 3)                 | Cash and valuables on hand                                  |            | 11,370      |            | 4,686       |
|      |         | Total              |   |            | 150,866,923 |            | 101,760,886 |
| тота | I. CURR | RENT ASSETS (C)    |   |            | 239,717,714 |            | 176,600,429 |
| IOIA | LCCKK   | ENT ASSETS (C)     |   |            | 237,717,714 |            | 170,000,427 |
| D)   |         | Accrued income a   |   |            |             |            |             |
|      |         |                    | Accrued income  |            |             |            |             |
|      |         |                    | prepayments   |            | 3,098,930   |            | 4,273,861   |
| TOTA | L ACCR  | RUED INCOME ANI    | O PREPAYMENTS (D)   |            | 3,098,930   |            | 4,273,861   |
| TOTA | L ASSET | ΓS                 |   |            | 934,580,003 |            | 912,501,487 |
|      |         |                    | 21  |            |             |            |             |
|      |         |                    | 21  |            |             |            |             |

### Liabilities

|                   |                |   | (Euro)      | 12/31/2004  |   | 12/31/2003  |
|-------------------|----------------|---|-------------|-------------|---|-------------|
| <b>A</b> )        | Capital and re | eserves                                     | (Euro)      |             |   |             |
| ,                 | I.             | Share capital                               |             | 5,165,000   |   | 5,165,000   |
|                   | II.            | Share premium reserve                       |             |             |   |             |
|                   | III.           | Revaluation reserves                        |             |             |   |             |
|                   | IV.            | Legal reserve                               |             | 1,033,000   |   | 1,033,000   |
|                   | V.             | Reserve for own shares in                   |             |             |   |             |
|                   |                | portfolio                                   |             |             |   |             |
|                   | VI.            | Reserve provided in the by-laws             |             |             |   |             |
|                   | VII.           | Other reserves:                             |             |             |   |             |
| 7                 | VIII.          | Profits (losses) carried forward            |             | 161,172,925 |   | 119,624,793 |
|                   |                | Profits (losses) for the financial          |             | 89,741,666  |   | 80,548,132  |
|                   | IX.            | period                                      |             |             |   |             |
| TOTAL CAPITAI     | L AND RESERVES | S (A)                                       |             | 257,112,591 |   | 206,370,925 |
| <b>B</b> )        | Provisions for | risks and charges                           |             |             |   |             |
|                   | 1)             | Provision for retirement benefits           |             |             |   |             |
|                   | ,              | and similar obligations                     |             |             |   |             |
|                   | 2)             | Provision for taxes, including              |             |             |   |             |
|                   | , <u> </u>     | deferred taxes                              |             | 13,230,770  |   | 202,944     |
|                   | 3)             | Other                                       |             | 15,318,047  |   | 7,384,510   |
| TOTAL PROVISI     | ONS FOR RISKS  | AND CHARGES (B)                             |             | 28,548,817  |   | 7,587,454   |
|                   |                |   |             |             |   |             |
| <b>C</b> )        | Employee seve  | erance indemnity                            |             | 104,662     |   | 167,638     |
|                   |                |   | beyond      |             | beyond                                  |             |
| D)                | Payables       |   | 12 months:  |             | 12 months:                              |             |
|                   | 1)             | Debenture loans                             |             |             |   |             |
|                   | 2)             | Convertible debenture loans                 |             |             |   |             |
|                   | 3)             | Due to shareholders for financing           | 44,305,500  | 48,062,087  | 45,648,090                              | 51,758,685  |
|                   | 4)             | Due to banks                                | 430,546,925 | 510,307,046 | 516,799,746                             | 593,811,204 |
|                   | 5)             | Due to other financing sources              |             |             |   |             |
|                   | 6)             | Amounts received on account                 |             |             |   |             |
|                   | 7)             | Due to suppliers                            |             | 23,740,004  |   | 21,395,127  |
|                   | 8)             | Debts represented by negotiable instruments |             |             |   |             |
|                   | 9)             | Due to subsidiary companies                 |             |             |   |             |
|                   | 10)            | Due to affiliated companies                 |             |             |   |             |
|                   | 10bis)         | Due to associated companies                 | 4,053,912   | 25,359,054  | 4,954,785                               | 26,924,982  |
|                   | 11)            | Due to parent companies                     | .,000,012   | 39,830,721  | .,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | 1,234,583   |
|                   | 12)            | Due to the tax authority                    |             | 1,018,626   |   | 2,476,602   |
|                   | 13)            | Due to social security and                  |             | ,,          |   | ,,.,.       |
|                   | - /            | insurance institution                       |             | 44,825      |   | 79,230      |
|                   | 14)            | Other debts                                 |             | 159,863     |   | 326,503     |
| TOTAL DEBTS (I    |                |   |             | 648,522,226 |   | 698,006,916 |
|                   |                |   |             |             |   |             |
| <b>E</b> )        | Accrued expen  | nses and deferred income                    |             |             |   |             |
|                   |                | -Accrued expenses                           |             | 291,707     |   | 368,554     |
|                   |                | -Deferred income                            |             |             |   |             |
| TOTAL ACCRUE      | ED EXPENSES AN | D DEFERRED INCOME (E)                       |             | 291,707     |   | 368,554     |
|                   |                |   |             | ŕ           |   | ŕ           |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES |                |   |             | 677,467,412 |   | 706,130,562 |

| TOTAL CAPITAL AND RESERVES AND LIABILITIES |    | 934,580,003 | 912,501,487 |
|--|----|-------------|-------------|
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|                           |                   |                                  | <b>~</b> | 12/31/2004 | 12/31/2003 |
|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|----------|------------|------------|
| Memorandum accou          | unte              |                                  | (Euro)   |            |            |
| 1.                        | Guarantees given: |                                  |          |            |            |
| 1.                        | a)                | Suretyships                      |          |            |            |
|                           | u)                | in favor of affiliated companies |          |            |            |
|                           |                   | in favor of others               |          |            |            |
|                           |                   | in laver of outers               |          |            |            |
|                           |                   |                                  |          |            |            |
|                           | b)                | Endorsements                     |          |            |            |
|                           | c)                | Other personal guarantees        |          |            |            |
|                           | d)                | Other real security              |          |            |            |
|                           |                   |                                  |          |            |            |
|                           |                   |                                  |          |            |            |
|                           |                   |                                  |          |            |            |
| 2.                        | Other memorandu   |                                  |          |            |            |
|                           | a)                | Guarantees received              |          |            |            |
|                           | b)                | Our commitments                  |          |            |            |
|                           | c)                | Risks                            |          |            |            |
|                           | d)                | Other                            |          | 4,198,198  | 3,137,378  |
|                           |                   |                                  |          | 4,198,198  | 3,137,378  |
|                           |                   |                                  |          |            |            |
| TOTAL MEMORANDUM ACCOUNTS |                   |                                  |          | 4,198,198  | 3,137,378  |
|                           |                   |                                  |          |            |            |
|                           |                   |                                  |          |            |            |
| 23                        |                   |                                  |          |            |            |
|                           |                   |                                  |          |            |            |

### **Income Statement**

|                               |              |   | (Euro)        | 2004                                    | 2003                  | 2002                  |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---|---------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| A) VALUE OF F                 | PRODUCTION   |   | (Euro)        |   |                       |                       |
|                               |              |   |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               | 1)           | Revenues from sales and services  |               | 477,035,042                             | 417,487,546           | 420,912,077           |
|                               | 2)           | Changes in inventories of finished  |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               |              | goods, semi-finished goods and  |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               |              | works in progress   |               | 145,252                                 | 181,001               | (137,317)             |
|                               | 2)           |   |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               | 3)           | Changes in work in progress on commission   |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               | 4)           | Capitalized internal work   |               | 1 620 911                               | 1 401 150             | 922.062               |
|                               | 4)<br>5)     | Other revenues and incomes:   |               | 1,629,811                               | 1,421,152             | 823,962               |
|                               | 3)           | other revenues and incomes.   |               | 534,346                                 | 5,579,269             | 21,400,135            |
|                               |              | contributions for operating expenses  |               | 334,340                                 | 3,379,209             | 21,400,133            |
|                               |              | contributions for operating expenses  |               | 534,346                                 | 5,579,269             | 21,400,135            |
|                               |              |   |               | 33 1,3 10                               | 3,377,207             | 21,100,133            |
| TOTAL VALUE OF PR             | ODUCTION (A) |   |               | 479,344,451                             | 424,668,968           | 442,998,857           |
|                               | ,            |   |               | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | , ,                   | , ,                   |
| B) COST OF PR                 | RODUCTION    |   |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               |              |   |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               | 6)           | For raw materials, ancillary  |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               |              | materials, consumer goods, and  |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               |              | goods for sale  |               | (184,131,787)                           | (172,040,656)         | (164,941,851)         |
|                               | 7)           | For services  |               | (55,435,550)                            | (59,260,621)          | (58,114,760)          |
|                               | 8)           | For leases and rentals  |               | (1,730,325)                             | (1,595,681)           | (1,856,230)           |
|                               | 9)           | For personnel costs:  |               | (5(0,007)                               | (00/, 017)            | (051,000)             |
|                               |              | a) wages and salaries   |               | (562,837)                               | (886,917)             | (951,889)             |
|                               |              | <ul><li>b) social security costs</li><li>c) provision for severance indemnity</li></ul> |               | (196,738)<br>(39,871)                   | (285,029)<br>(61,972) | (284,266)<br>(65,045) |
|                               |              | d) pension costs  |               | (39,671)                                | (01,972)              | (03,043)              |
|                               |              | e) other costs  |               | (3,252)                                 | (16,161)              | (18,599)              |
|                               |              | c) other costs  |               | (802,698)                               | (1,250,079)           | (1,319,799)           |
|                               |              |   |               | (002,070)                               | (1,230,07)            | (1,315,155)           |
|                               | 10)          | Value adjustments   |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               | ,            | a) Amortization of intangible assets  |               | (8,855,502)                             | (8,740,658)           | (8,795,294)           |
|                               |              | b) Depreciation of tangible assets  |               | (38,710,855)                            | (37,834,415)          | (36,980,636)          |
|                               |              | c) Other devaluation of fixed assets  |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               |              | d) devaluation of claims included in  |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               |              | current assets and of cash and  |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               |              | equivalents   |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               |              |   |               | (47,566,357)                            | (46,575,073)          | (45,775,930)          |
|                               |              |   |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               | 11)          | Changes in inventories of raw   |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               |              | materials, ancillary materials,   |               | (1.070.150)                             | (1.004.270)           | 1 010 407             |
|                               |              | consumer goods and goods for sale   |               | (1,072,158)                             | (1,024,378)           | 1,212,427             |
|                               | 12)          | Provisions for risks  |               |   |                       |                       |
|                               | 13)          | Other provisions  |               | (7,966,174)                             | (5,478,818)           | (6,458,753)           |
|                               | 14)          | Sundry operating charges  |               | (4,056,339)                             | (5,234,282)           | (3,799,371)           |
|                               | )            | condity operating charges   |               | (1,050,557)                             | (3,231,202)           | (3,777,371)           |
| TOTAL COSTS OF PRODUCTION (B) |              |   | (302,761,388) | (292,459,588)                           | (281,054,267)         |                       |

| COST OF PRODUCTION (A-B)  C) FINANCIAL INCOME AND CHARGES  15) Income from equity investments:  from subsidiary companies from other companies tax credits on dividends  16) Other financial income: a) from claims entered as fixed assets from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from parent companies from other companies from other companies from other companies from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments |             |                                      | WEEN VALUE    | CAND                                 |  |             |             |
|--|-------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|--|-------------|-------------|
| 15) Income from equity investments:  from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from other companies tax credits on dividends  16) Other financial income: a) from claims entered as fixed assets from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from parent companies from other companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   | COST        | COST OF PRODUCTION (A-B)             |               |                                      |  | 132,209,380 | 161,944,590 |
| 15) Income from equity investments:  from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from other companies tax credits on dividends  16) Other financial income: a) from claims entered as fixed assets from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from parent companies from other companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   | <b>C</b> ') |                                      | EINIA NICHA   | I INCOME AND CHARGES                 |  |             |             |
| from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from other companies tax credits on dividends  16) Other financial income: a) from claims entered as fixed assets from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from parent companies from parent companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   | C)          | 1.5\                                 |               |                                      |  |             |             |
| from affiliated companies from other companies tax credits on dividends  16) Other financial income: a) from claims entered as fixed assets from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from parent companies from other companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments  |             | 15)                                  | Income from   |                                      |  |             |             |
| from other companies tax credits on dividends  16) Other financial income: a) from claims entered as fixed assets from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from parent companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   |             |                                      |               |                                      |  |             |             |
| tax credits on dividends  16) Other financial income:  a) from claims entered as fixed assets from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from parent companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   |             |                                      |               |                                      |  |             |             |
| 16) Other financial income:  a) from claims entered as fixed assets from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from parent companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   |             |                                      |               |                                      |  |             |             |
| a) from claims entered as fixed assets from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from parent companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments  |             |                                      |               | tax credits on dividends             |  |             |             |
| a) from claims entered as fixed assets from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from parent companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments  |             |                                      |               |                                      |  |             |             |
| a) from claims entered as fixed assets from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from parent companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments  |             |                                      |               |                                      |  |             |             |
| from subsidiary companies from affiliated companies from parent companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   |             | 16)                                  | Other finance | cial income:                         |  |             |             |
| from affiliated companies from parent companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   |             |                                      | a)            | from claims entered as fixed assets  |  |             |             |
| from affiliated companies from parent companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   |             | from subsidiary companies            |               |                                      |  |             |             |
| from parent companies from other companies  b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   |             |                                      |               |                                      |  |             |             |
| b) from securities entered as fixed assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   |             |                                      |               |                                      |  |             |             |
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| assets other than equity investments  c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   |             |                                      |               | <u>.</u>                             |  |             |             |
| c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   |             |                                      | b)            | from securities entered as fixed     |  |             |             |
| c) from securities entered as current assets other than equity investments   |             |                                      | - /           | assets other than equity investments |  |             |             |
| assets other than equity investments   |             |                                      |               |                                      |  |             |             |
| assets other than equity investments   |             |                                      | c)            | from securities entered as current   |  |             |             |
|  |             |                                      | -,            | assets other than equity investments |  |             |             |
| 24   |             | assets other than equity investments |               |                                      |  |             |             |
| 24   |             |                                      |               |                                      |  |             |             |
| 24   |             |                                      |               |                                      |  |             |             |
|  |             |                                      |               | 24                                   |  |             |             |

|          |             |                 |   |       | 2004                   | 2003         | 2002                   |
|----------|-------------|-----------------|---|-------|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|
|          |             |                 |   | Euro) |                        |              |                        |
|          |             | •               | other income not included in the        |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             | d)              | above                                   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 | from subsidiary companies               |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 | from affiliated companies               |       |                        |              | 52.206                 |
|          |             |                 | from parent companies                   |       | 2.056                  | 176 710      | 52,306                 |
|          |             |                 | from associated companies               |       | 3,056                  | 176,710      | 25,969                 |
|          |             |                 | other companies                         |       | 1,489,859<br>1,492,915 | 2,003,713    | 2,431,860<br>2,510,135 |
|          |             |                 |   |       | 1,492,913              | 2,180,423    | 2,310,133              |
|          |             |                 |   |       | 1,492,915              | 2,180,423    | 2,510,135              |
|          |             |                 |   |       | 1,492,913              | 2,100,423    | 2,310,133              |
|          | 17)         | Interest and of | her financial charges:                  |       |                        |              |                        |
|          | 17)         | interest and of | subsidiary companies                    |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 | affiliated companies                    |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 | parent companies                        |       | (1,231,148)            | (1,654,727)  | (2,803,600)            |
|          |             |                 | associated companies                    |       | (545)                  | (105,005)    | (114,739)              |
|          |             |                 | other companies                         |       | (28,978,346)           | (40,330,245) | (46,818,969)           |
|          |             |                 | outer companies                         |       | (30,210,039)           | (42,089,977) | (49,737,308)           |
|          |             |                 |   |       | (30,210,037)           | (12,007,711) | (12,737,300)           |
|          |             |                 | Profits and losses on foreign           |       |                        |              |                        |
|          | 17bis)      |                 | currency exchanges                      |       | (2,342)                | 273,453      | (4,650)                |
|          | 17013)      |                 | currency exchanges                      |       | (2,3 12)               | 273,133      | (1,050)                |
| TOTAL    | L FINANCIA  | L INCOME ANI    | CHARGES (C)                             |       | (28,719,466)           | (39,636,101) | (47,231,823)           |
| 101111   |             |                 | (0)                                     |       | (20), 13, 100)         | (65,000,101) | (17,201,020)           |
| D)       |             | VALUE ADJ       | USTMENT OF FINANCIAL ASSETS             |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 |   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          | 18)         | Revaluation     |   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          | ĺ           | a)              | of equity investments                   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             | b)              | of fixed financial assets other than    |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 | equity investments                      |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             | c)              | of securities entered as current assets |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 | other than equity investments           |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 |   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 |   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          | 19)         | Devaluation     |   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             | a)              | of equity investments                   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             | b)              | of fixed financial assets other than    |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 | equity investments                      |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             | c)              | of securities entered as current assets |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 | other than equity investments           |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 |   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 |   |       |                        |              |                        |
| TOTAL    | L VALUE AI  | DJUSTMENT OF    | FINANCIAL ASSETS (D)                    |       |                        |              |                        |
| E) E1570 | TD A ODDINA | DV DIGOLEE A    | UD CHARGE                               |       |                        |              |                        |
| E) EXT   |             | ARY INCOME AN   |   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          | 20)         | Extraordinary   |   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 | gains on disposal of assets             |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 | contingent assets                       |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 | other                                   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 |   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          | 21)         | Extens 1:       | ahawaa                                  |       |                        |              |                        |
|          | 21)         | Extraordinary   |   |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 | losses on disposal of assets            |       |                        |              |                        |
|          |             |                 | income taxes pertaining to previous     |       |                        | (221 (00)    | (205.295)              |
|          |             |                 | years                                   |       |                        | (331,600)    | (305,286)              |
|          |             |                 | contingent liabilities                  |       |                        |              | (95,000)               |
|          |             |                 | other                                   |       |                        |              | (85,992)               |

|  |              | (331,600)    | (391,278)   |
|--|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| TOTAL EXTRAORDINARY INCOME AND CHARGES (E)             |              | (331,600)    | (391,278)   |
| TOTAL EXTRAORDINARY INCOME AND CHARGES (E)             |              | (331,000)    | (371,270)   |
| PROFITS (LOSSES) BEFORE INCOME TAXES (A-B±C±D±E)       | 147,863,597  | 92,241,679   | 114,321,489 |
| 22) Current, deferred and advance income taxes for the |              |              |             |
| year   | (58,121,930) | (11,693,547) | (7,362,343) |
| 42) PROFUEC /LOCCEC) FOR THE FINANCIAL BERLOD          | 00.741.666   | 00 540 122   | 107.050.147 |
| 23) PROFITS (LOSSES) FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD          | 89,741,666   | 80,548,132   | 106,959,146 |
|  |              |              |             |
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ISAB Energy S.r.l.

Annual report for the year ended December 31st 2004

Notes to the financial statements

#### 1. The Company

ISAB Energy is owner of the IGCC - Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle plant, located in the city of Priolo Gargallo, designed to generate electricity using processing residuals from the refinery.

#### 2. Criteria for the preparation of the financial statements

The policies used in drafting the annual report for the financial period ending 31 December 2004 are in compliance with the law and accounting principles issued by the National Council of Professional Accountants and Bookkeepers.

The annual report is composed of the Balance Sheets, the Profit and Loss Account and the Explanatory Notes and is presented together with the Management Report drafted by the board of directors. It includes provisions on financial statements introduced by the Reform on Company Law contained in Legislative Decree 6 of 17 January 2003 and later amendments.

All items in the balance sheet are presented with figures from the 2003 balance sheet for comparison while the data contained in the profit and loss account are compared to that from the last two financial periods.

Comments on the most significant variations are contained in the section Comment on economic-financial results found in the Management Report.

The Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account express rounded values in Euro. The difference compared to the precise value in cents is found in the Profit and Loss Account under income and extraordinary charges.

For additional clarity and consistency with past statements, all amounts in the explanatory notes are rounded to thousands of Euro. As a consequence, in certain prospectuses the totals may slightly differ from the totals of amounts they are comprised of.

The 2004 financial statements were audited by Reconta Ernst & Young S.p.A..

#### 3. Accounting principles and evaluation criteria

Hereinafter, we specify the accounting principles used and evaluation criteria applied in compliance, in all cases, with provisions set forth in art. 2423, 2423 bis and 2426 of the Civil Code.

The evaluation criteria used to draft the 2004 annual report are in compliance with those used in previous financial periods.

It should be noted that starting from 1 January, regular contingent assets and liabilities relative to the differences in evaluations made in previous years are shown in the profit and loss account by type instead of under other revenues and income and other operating charges. The impact of each listing, if significant, is commented on in the description of each item in the profit and loss account.

#### 3.1 Intangible fixed assets

Intangible fixed assets are calculated at their purchase or production price including direct financial charges incurred at completion date and they are adjusted at a constant rate in relation to their lifecycle and in relation to the possibility of being reused.

In detail, the rates are obtained by applying the following criteria:

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formation and expansion expenses are amortised over five years;

the licenses for industrial processes in relation to the contract term stipulated with the licensor;

software licenses lasting for three years;

contribution to ENEL for installing power lines to connect the IGCC plant for the amount of time established;

expenses and charges related to project financing for the duration of the financing obtained from banks.

#### 3.2 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are calculated at their purchase or production price and they are shown net of provisions for value adjustments.

The values shown have not been revaluated.

The cost of assets includes financial charges incurred during construction.

Expenses for expansion, modernisation and transformation and expenses for increased maintenance are capitalised and amortised in relation to the life cycle of the asset in question.

Expenses for constant maintenance and repairs are entered in the profit and loss account of the financial period when the event takes place.

The value adjustment rates applied are as follows in relation to the type of asset and they follow the principles of prudence and are in accordance with the adjustment plan already established and in line with the estimated residual possibility to use each asset:

|                                | %       | Level of adjustment as of 31.12.04 |
|--------------------------------|---------|------------------------------------|
| Industrial buildings           | 3-4     | 17%                                |
| Light buildings                | 10      | 43%                                |
| Systems in the IGCC plant      | 3.3-8.2 | 21%                                |
| Industrial equipment           | 10      | 40%                                |
| Office furniture and equipment | 12      | 56%                                |
| Various equipment              | 10      | 50%                                |
| Electronic machinery           | 20      | 69%                                |
| Motor vehicles                 | 25      | 100%                               |

| In relation to the IGCC plant, the rates above are in reference to the evaluations from an independent assessment of each technical unit in the plant.  |
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| 3.3 Investments   |
| Investments are listed in the balance sheet at their acquisition cost or reduced for lasting loss in value.   |
| 3.4 Inventories   |
| Stocks of raw materials are valued using the LIFO method (Last In First Out) calculated yearly or based on the current market value, whicheve is lower. |
| Finished products are valued based on current market value.   |
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Stocks of subsidiary materials and consumables are valued at their average calculated price or current market value, whichever is lower.

#### 3.5 Creditors and debtors

Creditors and debtors are entered in the balance sheet at their rated value. For debtors the value is reduced to the presumed payment value by allocating to a specific provision.

Debtors and creditors in other currencies are converted into Euro at the exchange rate of the date of the operation and the difference between the value and the amount actually paid or received is entered in the profit and loss account under financial charges and income.

The differences in exchange rates, originating from the transfer of creditors and debtors in the currency at the exchange rate of the end of the period compared to that calculated on the date of the operation are entered in the profit and loss account.

#### 3.6 Current and deferred income taxes

Current taxes are accrued based on the forecast tax charges for the period also taking into account the effects deriving from following the tax consolidation instituted by the Unified Tax Act on income.

Furthermore, in relation to the relevant item, deferred taxes are accrued based on the temporary differences which arise between statutory results and relative taxable income or losses declared.

Prepaid taxes entered into the balance sheet are subject to the reasonable certainty that they can be returned also within the tax consolidation. Accrued deferred taxes are not calculated for doubtful debtors. These deferred taxes are calculated based on the average tax rates expected in the periods in which the taxable temporary differences are paid.

#### 3.7 Accruals and payables

Prepayments/accruals and accrued/differed income are entered in relation to the relevant term in accordance with provisions set forth in art. 2424 B of the Civil Code.

#### 3.8 Provisions for risks and charges

Provisions for risks and charges are allocated to face determined liabilities, whether certain or probable, where their amount or date is unknown by year end.

#### 3.9 Maintenance cycles

Provisions for extraordinary periodical maintenance are made *pro rata temporis* for each financial period based on an estimate of expenses to be made and the multi-year programme of regular maintenance for the IGCC plant.

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|----|----|---|-------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----------|--|
|    |    |   |       |     |     |      |     |           |  |

The item represents the accrued liability for all employees calculated based on legislation in force and labour contracts in place at year end.

#### 3.11 Memorandum accounts

Memorandum accounts are calculated at the value of their confirmation or receipt and the potential value of calculated.

In relation to accounting policy 22 drafted by the National Council of Professional Accountants and Bookkeepers, the guarantees issued against written amounts due in the balance sheet should not be entered as a memorandum account but should be listed in the explanatory notes where necessary under the comments relative to the section on amounts due.

#### 3.12 Operations within the group and related parties transactions

During the financial period the company carried on sales, services and financial relations with the parent company and with associated companies within the group. These relations were governed by contracts and at market conditions with the exception of a financing agreement at zero interest to be reimbursed over ten years which expires in the year 2010.

The figures in the Balance Sheet reflect the year-end situation and the Profit and Loss Account shows figures following the evolution of company control during the financial period.

The most significant figures concern:

the administration of feedstock which is the raw material used by the IGCC plant in relation to the Feedstock Supply Agreement dated 20 June 1996. This material comes from the ISAB refinery processing residuals, South Plant, owned by the associated company ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee S.p.A.;

mutual supply of minor products between the company and ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee in view of the Minor Products Agreement dated 5 April 1996. As an example and limited to such it is referred to products such as diesel fuel, gas, fuel oil, steam and heat;

financing within the Project financing operation named sub-debt based on agreements made between financing banks and sponsors;

services provided by the associated company ISAB Energy Services S.r.l., under the Operation & Maintenance contract dated 5 April 1996 for operating and maintaining the IGCC plant;

support to company staff for sales, planning and performance, secretarial work, administration and finance provided by ERG Power & Gas based on the Provision of Service Agreement dated 22 December 2003.

Lastly, also a part of the services for the company, there are those provided by ERG S.p.A. for assistance relative to legal, company, tax and administration council and public relations and IT services; by ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee for employee administration, organisation and human resources management, health assistance and fire fighting services.

Services provided by ISAB Energy are directly concerned with legal activities and IT support, namely hosting the Expert Advanced System, ISAB Energy Services and leasing office space to the latter company and to ERG Power & GAS.

The value of operations within the group is detailed below.

Relations with other associated entities concern financing subject to that obtained with the Project Financing operation and a service contract with financing institutions, legal offices and insurance companies handled by the parent company and minor shareholder MEC Priolo B.V. Holland. Since 17 December 2004 the company has been held by a partnership between International Power - England and Mitsui & Co. Japan, whereas up until 16 December 2004 the company was entirely owned by the American group Edison Mission Energy.

#### 3.13 Financial expenses

Interest charges and financial charges incurred from financing obtained from the parent company and later from financing received through the Project Financing until the date the plant went into production (April 18, 2000) were capitalised under the various items of assets.

Interest charges and financial charges after that date were included to form the final economic result.

#### 3.14 Profit and loss account

Revenues and expenses are shown in the profit and loss account according to the relevant term.

#### 3.15 Extraordinary income and charges

This item shows the effects of changes in accounting policies from extraordinary events irrelevant to company operations and taxes relative to previous periods deriving from a dispute with the tax administration.

#### 4. Adjustment of the Balance Sheets and Income Statements for the previous periods

As mentioned above, the balance sheet and financial statements as of 31 December 2004 include new regulations on financial statements introduced by reforms on Company Law pursuant to Legislative Decree 6 of 2003 and amended by Legislative Decree 37 of 2004.

In order to standardise accounting policies for the 2004 balance sheet and financial statements from 2003 and 2002, the following was implemented:

reclassification of receivables due from the tax authority displayed for such period in Item (C)(II)(6) Receivables from other debtors to the newly-formed Item (C)(II)5-bis) Tax credits;

reclassification of advance taxes displayed for such periods in (C)(II)(6) Receivables from other debtors to the newly-formed Item (C)(II)5-ter) Deffered tax assets ;

reclassification of payables due to shareholders of a financial nature in Item (D)(12) Payables to parent companies and Item (D)(5) Payables to other financing sources to the newly-formed formed Item (D)(3) Payables for shareholders for financing ;

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reclassification of profits on foreign currency exchanges included in Item (C)(16)(d) Other financial income to the newly-formed Item (C)(17-bis) Profits and losses on foreign currency exchanges;

Reclassification of the losses on foreign currency exchanges included in Item (C) (17) Interests and other financial charges to the newly-formed Item (C) (17-bis) Profits and losses on foreign currency exchanges .

#### 5. Management and coordination

The company is under the management and coordination of the parent company ERG S.p.A., registered offices in Milan, Via N. Piccinni 2.

Significant data from the last annual report for ERG S.p.A. is attached.

#### 6. Project financing

Below is a general overview of the loans, guarantees and relations deriving from the project financing closed in 1996 with the signing of the project financing contract and subjected to further changes on 15 September 2000 during the refinancing operations:

taking out a grade 1 mortgage in favour of San Paolo IMI S.p.A. as guarantee for the payment of amounts and loans deriving from the Project Financing contract. The mortgage is on the land where the I.G.C.C. is located in Priolo Gargallo;

a special lien in favour of San Paolo IMI S.p.A. as guarantee for the payment of amounts and loans deriving from the Project Financing contract. The lien is on the systems, machinery, equipment, raw materials, semi-finished products, finished products, stocks and credit derived from the sale of such goods;

assignment of all financial rights in relation to amounts received when applying penalties pursuant to or in relation to project contracts—as detailed in the Assignment Act—in favour of San Paolo IMI S.p.A. The assignment is as a guarantee for all the debts undertaken pursuant to or in relation to the Project Financing Contract;

assignment to San Paolo IMI S.p.A. of all insurance claims payable or received in relation to insurance required by the Project Financing Contract (with the exception of indemnities relative to employee accidents or payment for damages to third parties).

The duration of the debts after refinancing has been extended from eight to fourteen years from the payment of the first instalment which was paid on 15 December 2000 and so until 15 December 2014.

In 2004, a lower tied amount was renegotiated with the financing banks for the Insurance reserve account for business interruption for an amount of Euro 22,437 thousand. The tied current account is held at Citibank of Milan. This amount held until 15 April 2005 is tied to the expiry date of the current insurance policy.

Furthermore, incoming and outgoing financial operations of the company are monitored and under the constant supervision of the financing banks.

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#### 7. Balance Sheet Analysis

**Assets** 

Fixed Assets (Euro 691,763 thousand)

#### 7.1 Intangible fixed assets

|                            | Formation and expansion expenses | Concessions,<br>licenses and<br>trademarks | Intangible<br>assets in<br>progress and<br>payments on<br>account | Other intangible assets | Total    |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---|-------------------------|----------|
| Past expenses              | 26,166                           | 9,491                                      | 159   | 45,761                  | 81,576   |
| Value adjustments          | (19,382)                         | (4,501)                                    | -   | (9,630)                 | (33,513) |
| Balance as of 31.12.03     | 6,784                            | 4,990                                      | 159   | 36,131                  | 48,063   |
|                            |                                  |  |   |                         |          |
| Period movements:          |                                  |  |   |                         |          |
| Acquisitions               |                                  |  | 591   |                         | 591      |
| Capitalisations/accounting |                                  |  |   |                         |          |
| adjustments                |                                  |  |   |                         |          |
| Accounting adjustments     |                                  | 703  | (703)   |                         |          |
| Transfers and dismissals   |                                  |  |   |                         |          |
| Value adjustments          | (5,233)                          | (1,040)                                    |   | (2,583)                 | (8,856)  |
| Devaluation                |                                  |  |   |                         |          |
|                            |                                  |  |   |                         |          |
| Past expenses              | 26,166                           | 10,194                                     | 46  | 45,761                  | 82,167   |
| Value adjustments          | (24,616)                         | (5,541)                                    |   | (12,212)                | (42,368) |
| Balance as of 31.12.04     | 1,550                            | 4,653                                      | 46  | 33,549                  | 39,799   |

Formation and expansion expenses consist of Euro 1 thousand for formation expenses and Euro 1,549 thousand for start-up expenses viewed as returnable and directly attributed to starting up operations. They contain financial charges amounting to Euro 113 thousand and consist of:

Euro 1,160 thousand for services carried out by the associated company ISAB Energy Services S.r.l., on our behalf and in our interest for training, organisation and specific training for qualified personnel who today is employed at the IGCC plant;

Euro 390 thousand for technical and legal consulting and services needed to draft and develop the project.

The above figures are net of value adjustments applied which amount respectively to Euro 8 thousand and Euro 24,608 thousand.

Concessions, licenses, trademarks and similar rights consist of Euro 4,082 thousand for the license to use the Texaco gasification process in addition to financial charges amounting to Euro 781 thousand. The depreciations applied are equal to Euro 2,848 thousand.

Additionally, the item includes software licenses purchased totalling Euro 572 thousand net of the value adjustment of Euro 2,692 thousand. The addition of Euro 703 thousand is for the technical documentation management system, development of the Archimede

intranet and for upgrading SAP software and the Production and Management Information System.

The intangible assets in progress for Euro 46 thousand consist of Euro 25 thousand for consolidating SAP software and 21 thousand for a feasibility study on a system to recover vanadium.

Other intangible assets include financial charges amounting to Euro 5,097 thousand and the amount paid to ENEL to connect the IGCC plant to the 380 and 150 Kw power lines for a total of Euro 19,807 thousand as well as expenses amounting to Euro 13,742 thousand for legal and financial services and technical support to implement the Project Financing operation. The above figures are shown after value adjustments amounting respectively to Euro 6,175 thousand and Euro 6,037 thousand.

#### 7.2 Tangible fixed assets

|                                 | Land and<br>buildings | Plants and<br>machinery | Other fixtures and fittings, tools and equipment | Other<br>goods | Tangible assets in course of construction and payments on account | Total     |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--|----------------|---|-----------|
| Past expenses                   | 18,122                | 793,427                 | 296  | 1,788          | 5,558   | 819,190   |
| Value adjustments               | 10,122                | 775,127                 | 270  | 1,700          | 2,230   | 015,150   |
| , arac adjustinoms              | 18,122                | 793,427                 | 296  | 1,788          | 5,558   | 819,190   |
|                                 |                       | .,,,                    |  | _,,            | -,  | 0-1-,-1-0 |
| Financial/technical adjustments | (2,354)               | (132,170)               | (94)   | (1,018)        |   | (135,635) |
| Devaluation                     |                       |                         | · ,  |                |   |           |
| Balance as of 31.12.03          | 15,768                | 661,257                 | 203  | 770            | 5,558   | 683,555   |
|                                 |                       |                         |  |                |   |           |
| Period movements:               |                       |                         |  |                |   |           |
| Acquisitions                    |                       |                         |  |                | 7,454   | 7,454     |
| Capitalisations/accounting      |                       |                         |  |                |   |           |
| adjustments                     | 625                   | 8,193                   | 13   | 109            | (8,940)   |           |
| Transfers and dismissals        |                       | (322)                   |  | (17)           |   | (339)     |
| Financial/technical value       |                       |                         |  |                |   |           |
| adjustments                     | (659)                 | (37,753)                | (31)   | (268)          |   | (38,711)  |
| Devaluation                     |                       |                         |  |                |   |           |
|                                 |                       |                         |  |                |   |           |
| Past expenses                   | 18,748                | 801,199                 | 309  | 1,713          | 4,071   | 826,040   |
| Value adjustments               |                       |                         |  |                |   |           |
|                                 | 18,748                | 801,199                 | 309  | 1,713          | 4,071   | 826,040   |
|                                 |                       |                         |  |                |   |           |
| Financial/technical value       |                       |                         |  |                |   |           |
| adjustments                     | (3,013)               | (169,824)               | (125)  | (1,119)        |   | (174,081) |
| Devaluation                     |                       |                         |  |                |   |           |
| <b>Balance as of 31.12.04</b>   | 15,735                | 631,375                 | 185  | 594            | 4,071   | 651,959   |

Tangible fixed assets consist of financial charges incurred during construction and capitalised for each asset. This amount as of 31 December 2004 totals Euro 89,235 thousand of which Euro 1,181 thousand under the item land and buildings and Euro 88,054 thousand under systems and machinery.

| The item land and buildings includes Euro 2,219 thousand of the amount which is not adjusted of the entire area where the IGCC plant is located as a support of the entire area where the IGCC | ed |
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| while the land of the systems and buildings is accounted according to each asset it belongs to.  |    |

All the buildings are for industrial purposes and amount to Euro 13,121 thousand. They include the group of buildings making up the entrance and reception, offices, cafeteria, warehouse, control room, laboratory, sheds, streets, parking areas and other infrastructures. The item includes Euro 395 thousand for light buildings. The value adjustment of Euro 3,013 thousand is divided into Euro 2,717 thousand for buildings and Euro 296 thousand for light buildings.

Capitalisation for Euro 625 thousand is mainly for upgrading the LAN, improving the warehouse fire fighting system and routes and building parking areas and installing street signs and signals.

Plants and machinery include the IGCC - Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle plant.

The amount of Euro 801,199 thousand consists of Euro 736,629 thousand for systems in the power plant, Euro 58,633 thousand for the substations and Euro 5,937 thousand for auxiliary systems for processing and treatment.

A value adjustment of Euro 169,824 thousand was applied in reference to the estimated technical-economic lifecycle for an average of over 19 years. The component approach was used for the estimate in reference to the main components of each technical unit.

The new capitalisations of the period are Euro 69 thousand for the substation and Euro 8,124 thousand for the power plant. The most significant investments include Euro 2,578 thousand for eliminating construction defects and installing new steel components, Euro 2,410 thousand for strategic spare parts, 1,575 thousand Euro for improving the safety and protection system and Euro 765 thousand for installing washing and measuring systems and for improving instruments.

Other goods, net of the relative value adjustment provision, are Euro 208 thousand for office furniture and equipment, Euro 333 thousand for electronic machines, Euro 53 thousand for various equipment and consumables.

In the item tangible assets in course of construction and payments on account includes Euro 3,980 thousand for investments in progress and Euro 91 thousand for payments on account.

### 7.3 Financial fixed assets

|                                  | Subsidiary companies | Equity investments<br>Associated<br>companies | Other<br>companies | Loans | Total |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|---|--------------------|-------|-------|
| _                                |                      |   | _                  |       |       |
| Past expenses                    |                      |   | 5                  | 4     | 9     |
| Devaluation                      |                      |   |                    |       |       |
| Balance as of 31.12.03           |                      |   | 5                  | 4     | 9     |
|                                  |                      |   |                    |       |       |
| Period movements:                |                      |   |                    |       |       |
| Acquisitions                     |                      |   |                    |       |       |
| Payments                         |                      |   |                    |       |       |
| Transfers and dismissals         |                      |   |                    | (4)   | (4)   |
| Returns                          |                      |   |                    |       |       |
| Devaluation/use of provision for |                      |   |                    |       |       |
| losses                           |                      |   |                    |       |       |
|                                  |                      |   |                    |       |       |
| Past expenses                    |                      |   | 5                  |       | 5     |
| Devaluation                      |                      |   |                    |       |       |
| <b>Balance as of 31.12.04</b>    |                      |   | 5                  |       | 5     |

The value of equity investments in other companies refers to the cost of acquisition at the nominal value for 100 shares equal to 5% of the share capital of the company Industria Acqua Siracusana S.p.A., registered offices in Syracuse. The net worth of the holding amounted to Euro 108 thousand as of 31 December 2003.

#### Current Assets (Euro 239,718 thousand)

#### 7.4 Inventories

|                             | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Raw materials               | 3,615    | 3,432    |
| Consumables                 | 9,659    | 10,914   |
| Finished products and goods | 439      | 294      |
| Payments on account         | 98       | 58       |
| TOTAL                       | 13,811   | 14,698   |

The stock of raw materials rose mainly due to the higher amount of diesel fuel in stock at the end of the period. Overall stocks of raw materials amount to 25,669 tons compared to 25,291 tons the previous period. The LIFO reserve amounted to Euro 2,578 thousand as of 31 December 2004.

The decrease in consumables is due to operational spare parts which were considered as strategic following an in-depth study and so they were entered under the item plants. Euro 850 thousand for devaluation booked in 2003 remained unchanged as the estimate is still adequate to face any value losses while waiting to define the use of spare parts that might not be suitable for the IGCC plant.

The increase in finished products is due to a rise in the vanadium market. Sulphur products have dropped slightly due to lower quantities in stock.

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Payments on account are amounts paid to suppliers for purchasing spare parts and consumables that are to be delivered during the initial months of the following financial period.

#### 7.5 Receivables

|                                      | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Trade debtors                        | 50,597   | 39,766   |
| Amounts owed by associated companies | 3,202    | 3,815    |
| Amounts owed by parent companies     | 3,393    |          |
| Amounts owed by tax administration   |          | 1,603    |
| Advance taxes                        | 8,784    | 5,612    |
| Other debtors                        | 9,064    | 9,345    |
| TOTAL                                | 75,040   | 60,141   |

Details on debtor figures are provided below:

#### **Trade Receivables**

|  | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|--|----------|----------|
| Amounts receivable for the sale of electricity | 48,998   | 39,216   |
| Other receivables for sales                    | 1,598    | 550      |
| TOTAL  | 50,597   | 39,766   |

These amounts are for the sale of electricity during the month of December 2004 and include the final rate adjustment for the entire financial period estimated at Euro 10,895 thousand. The increase is mainly due to a rise in production in the last month of the year compared to December 2003. The amount in question was paid in February 2005. The rate adjustment will be officially announced by the Rate Adjustment Body for the electricity sector in April 2005.

Other receivables for sales concern the sale of sulphur and vanadium.

# Receivables from associated companies

|                                    | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Trade receivables:                 |          |          |
| ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee S.r.l. | 3,151    | 3,078    |
| ERG Petroli S.p.A.                 |          | 620      |
| ISAB Energy Services S.r.l.        | 51       | 69       |
|                                    | 3,202    | 3,768    |

#### Financial receivables:

| ERG Petroli S.p.A. |       | 47    |
|--------------------|-------|-------|
| TOTAL              | 3,202 | 3,815 |

Amounts owed by ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee are for the sale of minor products mainly during the last quarter of 2004. Amounts owed by ISAB Energy Services are for leasing office space and amounts for recuperating expenses for general services.

#### Receivables from parent companies

|                        | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|------------------------|----------|----------|
| Trade receivables:     |          |          |
| ERG Power & Gas S.p.A. | 33       |          |
|                        |          |          |
| Other receivables:     |          |          |
| ERG S.p.A.             | 3,360    |          |
|                        |          |          |
| TOTAL                  | 3,393    |          |

Amounts owed by ERG Power & Gas are for leasing office space and amounts for recuperating expenses for general services.

Other amounts are relative to the payment of VAT for the month of December 2004 transferred to ERG S.p.A. for the group central account.

#### Tax receivables

|                                    | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Receivables due from Tax Authority |          | 1,603    |
| TOTAL                              |          | 1,603    |

Amounts owed by tax administration are for the use of an IRAP 2003 credit as partial cover for tax payments in 2004.

#### Deferred tax asset

|               | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|---------------|----------|----------|
| IRES deferred | 5,302    | 2,346    |
| IRAP deferred | 3,482    | 3,267    |
| TOTAL         | 8,784    | 5,612    |

Amounts for advance taxes are almost entirely for taxes on provisions for risk and charges.

Limited to IRAP in addition to that calculated on the temporary difference between various financial periods, Euro 2,808 thousand in advance taxes on financial charges is in suspension and capitalised until the IGCC plant entered into production and it will be paid over the next financial periods together with adjustment amounts.

Below is an outline of temporary differences and advance taxes:

|                                      |         | 31.12       | .04           |         | 31.12.0     | 03            |
|--------------------------------------|---------|-------------|---------------|---------|-------------|---------------|
|                                      | Taxable | IRES<br>33% | IRAP<br>4.25% | Taxable | IRES<br>33% | IRAP<br>4.25% |
| Reserve for maintenance              | 14,768  | 4,873       | 628           | 7,352   | 2,426       | 312           |
| Other reserves                       | 550     | 182         | 23            | 37      | 12          | 2             |
| Capitalised financial charges        | 66,060  |             | 2,808         | 69,889  |             | 2,970         |
| Other IRAP temporary differences     | 548     |             | 23            | 601     |             | 26            |
| Other IRES temporary differences     | 748     | 247         |               | 740     | 244         |               |
| Charges for electricity transmission |         |             |               |         |             |               |
| services                             |         |             |               | (1,020) | (337)       | (43)          |
| TOTAL                                |         | 5,302       | 3,482         |         | 2,346       | 3,267         |

#### Other

#### Receivables

|  | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|--|----------|----------|
| Receivable for damage compensation             | 6,030    | 6,030    |
| Receivables for insurance reimbursements       |          | 1,479    |
| Receivables from employees                     | 1        | 10       |
| Receivables from suppliers and other creditors | 3,033    | 1,826    |
| TOTAL  | 9.064    | 9.345    |

The amount of Euro 6,030 thousand remained unchanged after the partial payment of Euro 15 million was paid in February 2003 for indemnity granted to the company concerning the dispute with Consorzio Snamprogetti Foster Wheeler Energy in 30 December 2002 and accounted for in the 2002 balance sheets for Euro 21,030 thousand. This amount is regulated by a pro soluto transfer of credit that the above-mentioned Consortium had from Texaco Development and can be compensated with the yearly amounts owed as royalties to use the Texaco gasification process. The term in which the amounts can be compensated is by the end of the license contract with Texaco set for the year 2012.

Other receivables amounting to Euro 3,033 thousand include Euro 2,879 thousand for fees paid for transmitting electricity generated in 2002, 2003 and 2004. These fees were applied by the National Transmission Grid Operator after provisions issued by the Authority on Electricity and Gas, however they were ruled against by the Administrative Court of Lombardy on a petition for recourse.

Amounts realisable beyond twelve months regard payments for damage claims from the Consortium which can be compensated with the accumulation of royalties on the gasification process.

#### 7.6 Cash and equivalents

|                                   | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Bank and postal current accounts: |          |          |
| - regular current accounts        | 77       | 76       |
| - Project Financing account       | 150,778  | 101,680  |
|                                   | 150,856  | 101,756  |
|                                   |          |          |
| Cash on hand                      | 11       | 5        |
| TOTAL                             | 150,867  | 101,761  |

This item includes cash at hand at year end and in current accounts after careful administration of cash governed by agreements made with financing banks.

The balance in the bank accounts are mainly in accounts held at Citibank Milan (the project financing bank account) where all incoming and outgoing capital is moved according to the rules set forth in the project financing contract.

It should be noted that the tied account Insurance reserve account, which acts as a guarantee for any loss of insurance cover due to variations in the business interruption limit, was reduced from Euro 23,959 thousand to Euro 22,657 thousand. The duration of the tie is subject to the renewal of the current insurance policy which expires on 15 April 2005.

#### 7.7 Accrued income and prepayments

#### **Prepayments**

|                        | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|------------------------|----------|----------|
| Surety premiums        |          | 42       |
| Insurance              | 2,877    | 3,879    |
| Service fees and other | 222      | 353      |
| TOTAL                  | 3,099    | 4,274    |

Accrued income for insurance is relative to policy premiums to cover for property risks and civil liability. They expire at the end of the period in question.

Other accrued income is mainly for fees for steam services provided to ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee amounting to Euro 224 thousand.

The accrued income is attributed to the 2005 financial period.

Below is an outline of items in assets accounted by due date:

|  | Within    | within  | beyond  | TF . 4 . 1 |
|--|-----------|---------|---------|------------|
|  | 12 months | 5 years | 5 years | Total      |
| Debtors in tangible fixed assets       |           |         |         |            |
| - payments on account                  | 91        |         |         | 91         |
| Debtors in current assets              |           |         |         |            |
| - payments on account (stocks)         | 98        |         |         | 98         |
| - trade debtors                        | 50,597    |         |         | 50,597     |
| - amounts owed by associated companies | 3,202     |         |         | 3,202      |
| - amounts owed by parent companies     | 3,393     |         |         | 3,393      |
| - advance taxes                        | 4,731     | 1,950   | 2,103   | 8,784      |
| - other debtors                        | 3,908     | 4,261   | 895     | 9,064      |
|  | 65,928    | 6,211   | 2,999   | 75,138     |
| Prepayments and accrued income         |           |         |         |            |
| - accrued payment                      | 3,099     |         |         | 3,099      |
| TOTAL                                  | 69,118    | 6,211   | 2,999   | 78,328     |

#### Liabilities

### 7.8 Shareholders equity

# **Share Capital**

The amount, fully paid up, is subscribed as follows:

|                             | Share of capital | %   |
|-----------------------------|------------------|-----|
| ERG Power & Gas S.p.A Rome  | 2,634,150        | 51  |
| MEC Priolo BV - Netherlands | 2,530,850        | 49  |
| TOTAL                       | 5,165,000        | 100 |

### Legal reserve (Euro 1,033 thousand)

The legal reserve was formed in 2002 after the allocation of 2001 year-end profits and corresponds to one fifth of the share capital.

### Profits (Losses) carried forward (Euro 161,173 thousand)

The item increased for 2003 profits brought forward for Euro 80,548 thousand and decreased in July 2004 for Euro 39,000 thousand as an effect of previous profits being distributed to shareholders.

|                                 | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| 2001 profit brought forward     | 12,666   | 12,666   |
| 2002 profit brought forward     | 106,959  | 106,959  |
| 2003 profit brought forward     | 80,548   |          |
| Distribution of previous profit | (39,000) |          |
| TOTAL                           | 161,173  | 119,625  |

#### **Changes in Capital and Reserves**

|                                       | Share<br>capital | Share<br>premium<br>account | Legal<br>reserve | Other<br>reserves | Profit (loss)<br>brought<br>forward | Profits (loss) for the financial period | Total<br>capital<br>and<br>reserves |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Balance as of 31.12.2001              | 5,165            |                             |                  | 15,493            | (6,960)                             | 56,959                                  | 70,657                              |
| Cover for loss 1999 and 2000          |                  |                             |                  | (6,960)           | 6,960                               |   |                                     |
| Destination of residual reserve in    |                  |                             |                  |                   |                                     |   |                                     |
| Financial debt account                |                  |                             |                  | (8,533)           |                                     |   | (8,533)                             |
| Destination of 2001 profit            |                  |                             | 1,033            |                   | 30,926                              | (31,959)                                |                                     |
| Distribution of 2001 profit           |                  |                             | ,                |                   |                                     | (25,000)                                | (25,000)                            |
| Profit or loss for the 2002 financial |                  |                             |                  |                   |                                     |   |                                     |
| period                                |                  |                             |                  |                   |                                     | 106,959                                 | 106,959                             |
| Balance as of 31.12.2002              | 5,165            |                             | 1,033            |                   | 30,926                              | 106,959                                 | 144,083                             |
| Destination of 2002 profit            |                  |                             |                  |                   | 106,959                             | (106,959)                               |                                     |
| Distribution of 2002 profit           |                  |                             |                  |                   | (18,260)                            | (100,505)                               | (18,260)                            |
| Profit or loss for the 2003 financial |                  |                             |                  |                   | ( 1, 11,                            |   | ( , , , , , ,                       |
| period                                |                  |                             |                  |                   |                                     | 80,548                                  | 80,548                              |
| Balance as of 31.12.2003              | 5,165            |                             | 1,033            |                   | 119,625                             | 80,548                                  | 206,371                             |
|                                       |                  |                             |                  |                   |                                     |   |                                     |
| Destination of 2003 profit            |                  |                             |                  |                   | 80,548                              | (80,548)                                |                                     |
| Distribution of previous profit       |                  |                             |                  |                   | (39,000)                            |   | (39,000)                            |
| Profit or loss for the 2004 financial |                  |                             |                  |                   |                                     | 00.746                                  | 00.742                              |
| period                                |                  |                             |                  |                   |                                     | 89,742                                  | 89,742                              |
| Balance as of 31.12.2004              | 5,165            |                             | 1,033            |                   | 161,173                             | 89,742                                  | 257,113                             |
|                                       |                  |                             |                  |                   |                                     |   |                                     |

The following table shows the items in the capital and reserves with indications on their use and distribution possibilities as well as any legal ties.

| Type/description                          | Amount  | Possible<br>use | Amount<br>available | Amount in<br>tax<br>suspension |
|---|---------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Share capital                             | 5,165   |                 |                     |                                |
|   |         |                 |                     |                                |
| Legal reserve                             | 1,033   | В               |                     |                                |
| Profit (loss) brought forward             | 161,173 | A B C           | 161,173             |                                |
| Profits (loss) for the financial period   | 89,742  | A B C           | 89,742              |                                |
| Total                                     | 257,113 |                 | 250,915             |                                |
| Amount not available [art. 2426, 5) C.C.] |         |                 | (1,550)             |                                |
| Amount which can be distributed           |         |                 | 249,364             |                                |

Legend: A to increase share capital; B to cover loss; C for distribution to shareholders

Within the agreements made with financing banks, the amounts available for distribution to shareholders are subject to their approval after checking the conditions required by the project financing contract, which require that certain financial indexes are reached and that there are not certain default situations.

Due to the elimination of fiscal interferences and the tax deduction made directly on the tax return accordingly to the art. 109/4 b) of TUIR, if profits and/or reserves are distributed, the amount of the reserves and profits brought forward should not fall below the total remaining amount of negative unaccountable items deducted which after deferred taxes is estimated at Euro 21,946 thousand. If this happens, the amount of distributed reserves and/or profits that reaches this minimum level will be included as taxable income for the company.

#### 7.9 Provision for risks and charges

|                                 |          |          | Variations |           |  |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|------------|-----------|--|
|                                 | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 | Increases  | Decreases |  |
| Provision for deferred taxation | 13,028   |          | 13,028     |           |  |
| Provision for past taxation     | 203      | 203      |            |           |  |
| Provision for maintenance       | 14,768   | 7,352    | 7,416      |           |  |
| Other provisions                | 550      | 33       | 550        | (33)      |  |
| TOTAL                           | 28,549   | 7,587    | 20,994     | (33)      |  |

The provision for deferred taxation consists of Euro 11,541 for IRES and 1,486 thousand Euro for IRAP. The allocation is to cover tax amortisation that is not included in the profit and loss account and that is indicated in the company income tax declaration.

The provision for past taxation was formed in 2002 to face the increasing tax burden of the 1998 and 1999 after being notified of an audit and adjustment for tax withholdings and VAT. The provision was used for the 1998 amount after the audit. The remaining amount remains allocated while the 1999 income tax is being defined.

The Cyclical maintenance fund was adjusted with the figures applicable to the period for the cost of the plant shutdown for the performance of extraordinary maintenance, scheduled in the first half of 2005 for some of technical units, and in the year 2006 for the remainder.

The maintenance plan approved by the associated company, ISAB Energy Services, provides for shutdowns on a four-year cycle for each plant train, and on a two-year cycle for general parts.

The other provisions are relative to potential risks for returning certain privileged terms obtained in the past from ISAB Energy Services which may be transferred to ISAB Energy under the Operation & Maintenance contract. Its use during the year regards the allocation in 2003 of charges on finished products incurred in the beginning months of the financial period.

#### 7.10 Employee severance indemnities

|                              |          |          | Va        | riations  |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
|                              | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 | Increases | Decreases |
| Employee severance indemnity | 105      | 168      | 19        | (82)      |

This item, net of integrated social security amounts transferred to Previndai and Fondenergia, covers employee severance indemnity accrued as of 31 December 2004 in compliance with employment contracts and legislation in force at year end.

The decreases concern advances and employee transfers to the parent company ERG Power & Gas.

#### 7.11 Payables

|  | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|--|----------|----------|
| Amounts owed to shareholders for financing   | 48,062   | 51,758   |
| Amounts owed to banks                        | 510,307  | 593,811  |
| Amounts owed to suppliers                    | 23,740   | 21,395   |
| Amounts owed to associated companies         | 25,359   | 26,925   |
| Amounts owed to parent companies             | 39,831   | 1,236    |
| Amounts owed to tax administration           | 1,019    | 2,477    |
| Amounts owed to social security institutions | 45       | 79       |
| Other creditors                              | 160      | 327      |
| TOTAL  | 648,522  | 698,007  |

Overall creditors decreased by Euro 49,485 thousand, as an effect of reimbursements for financial debts amounting to Euro 88,141 thousand, increased amounts for tax administration and sales amounting to respectively 37,051 and Euro 1,809 thousand and a decrease in other creditors amounting to Euro 203 thousand.

Creditors are detailed below:

### Payables due to shareholders for financing

|                                 | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Major shareholder:              |          |          |
| ERG Power & Gas S.p.A.          |          |          |
|                                 | 24,512   | 26,397   |
| Minor shareholders:             |          |          |
| MEC Priolo B.V. (Holland)       | 4,403    | 4,605    |
| Edison Mission Energy (USA)     |          | 20,756   |
| Ponama Holdings Limited (Malta) | 19,148   |          |
|                                 | 23,550   | 25,361   |
|                                 |          |          |
| TOTAL                           | 48,062   | 51,758   |

Project financing sub-debts represent amounts the company owes to shareholders. Each share corresponds to the value of the share of the company. In 2003, these amounts were listed under amounts owed to parent companies for the major shareholder and owed to other financers for the minor shareholders.

Interest is accrued based on the cost of money in the project financing plan plus three percentage points payable quarterly in 34 equal instalments starting from when the conditions set forth by the financing banks were in place which up until 2003 were tied to the dispute with Consorzio Snamprogetti Foster Wheeler Energy.

In 2004, the financial institutions authorised a partial payment for a previously defined amount which amounts to the interest accumulated as of 31 December 2003 totalling Euro 6,110 thousand.

On behalf of the minor shareholder MEC Priolo B.V., the underwriter of a share of the financing is a parent company of the same. The financing provided to Edison Mission Energy at the end of 2003 was transferred on 17 December 2004 to Ponama Holdings Limited, which holds 100% of MEC Priolo, after the acquisition of the entire international electricity generation unit by a partnership between International Power England and Mitsui & Co. Japan. This financing amounts to Euro 18,186 thousand and is accounting with interest accumulated in 2004 totalling Euro 962 thousand while interests capitalised as of 31 December 2003 amount to Euro 2,570 thousand were paid in July 2004 to the former parent company Edison Mission Energy.

The remaining amount of the financing totalling Euro 4,403 thousand is for the shareholder MEC Priolo B.V. and it includes Euro 221 thousand for accumulated interests.

There was a decrease compared to the previous year due to the payment of interests totalling Euro 424 thousand.

The financial debt to ERG Power & Gas is also composed of the project financing sub-debt and amounts to Euro 23,281 thousand and Euro 1,231 thousand for interests accumulated during the period.

This amounts is net of paid interests capitalised at the end of 2003 amounting to Euro 3,116 thousand.

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In reference to realisable amounts, it is estimated that from the next financial period capital should begin to be paid back in respect and in reference of the instalments set by the amortisation plan.

The terms set forth in the project financing project are to be met in order to pay these sub-debts as described in the section on profit distribution.

### Payables due to banks

|  | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|--|----------|----------|
| Loans and financing:                           |          |          |
| Project financing San Paolo IMI S.p.A. account | 510,307  | 593,811  |
| TOTAL  | 510,307  | 593,811  |

Amounts owed to banks are relative to financing the company received with the project financing operation together with special liens and mortgage on property as described above.

The financing agreed upon with the company through the Project Credit Facility Agreement dated April 5, 1996 was re-negotiated on September 15, 2000 with a Refinancing transaction whose main purpose was the extension of the expiry date to December 15, 2014.

The non-recourse financing is paid back in 29 instalments starting from 15 December 2000 at a variable interest rate based on the Euribor at six months on instalment B and on the BEI at three months on instalment C.

As of 31 December 2004, against this debt and in correlation with each instalment there is an interest rate swap plan amounting to Euro 387,596 thousand which allows the above interest rates to consolidate from variable to fixed at 3.78% annually. Each operation is due on 15 June 2006, the fixed rate of 3.78% remains unchanged for the entire length of the contact and the value decreases proportionately with the payment of each instalment.

Starting from 15 June 2006, an interest rate cap will be provided by two contracts expiring on 15 December 2008 which limit the rates to 3.78% annually.

In 2004, debt went down by Euro 83,430 thousand due to the payment of 2 amortisation instalments amounting to Euro 76,568 thousand and a voluntary advance payment of Euro 6,862 thousand. As an effect Euro 46,447 thousand less resulted in instalment B and Euro 36,983 thousand in instalment C.

The remaining capital of the two instalments and interests accumulated not paid as of 31 December 2004 amount to the following:

|                            | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Instalment B               | 283,595  | 330,042  |
| Instalment C               | 225,801  | 262,784  |
| Interest paid on financing | 911      | 986      |
| TOTAL                      | 510,307  | 593,811  |
|                            |          |          |
|                            |          |          |
|                            | 46       |          |

According to commitments undertaken as of year end the yearly repayment schedule is estimated as follows:

| 2005       | 79,760  |
|------------|---------|
| 2006       | 90,877  |
| 2007       | 93,498  |
| 2008       | 76,896  |
| 2009       | 23,994  |
| after 2009 | 145,282 |
| TOTAL      | 510,307 |

### Payables due to suppliers

|                    | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|--------------------|----------|----------|
| Italian suppliers  | 20,667   | 19,793   |
| E.U. suppliers     | 1,229    | 401      |
| Non-E.U. suppliers | 1,845    | 1,201    |
| TOTAL              | 23,740   | 21,395   |

Amounts owed to suppliers have increased by Euro 2,345 thousand compared to 2003 and they consist of Euro 11,330 thousand for invoices received and Euro 12,410 thousand for invoices not yet received.

### Payables due to associated companies

|                                    | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Trade payables                     |          |          |
| ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee S.r.l. | 10,914   | 11,266   |
| ISAB Energy Services S.r.l.        | 9,428    | 9,571    |
| ERG Petroli S.p.A.                 | 62       | 191      |
|                                    | 20,404   | 21,029   |
| Financial payables:                |          |          |
| ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee S.r.l. | 4,955    | 5,856    |
| ISAB Energy Services S.r.l.        |          | 41       |
|                                    | 4,955    | 5,896    |
|                                    |          |          |
| TOTAL                              | 25,359   | 26,925   |

Amounts owed to ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee mainly concern exchanges of raw materials and services in December 2004 as well as price adjustments for these goods over the entire financial period. Among the loans is a debt amounting to Euro 4,955 thousand under the Loan Agreement dated 5 April 1996, which is pay back at zero interest in equal quarterly instalments ending on 1 April 2010.

The amount owed to ISAB Energy Services is for services received based on the Operation & Maintenance contract mentioned above.

The amount owed to ERG Petroli is for the supply of lubricant oil.

Debts payable after the following financial period concern non-remunerated loans.

### Payables due to parent companies

|                        | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|------------------------|----------|----------|
| Trade payable:         |          |          |
| ERG S.p.A.             | 319      | 347      |
| ERG Power & Gas S.p.A. | 114      |          |
|                        | 433      | 347      |
| Other payables:        |          |          |
| ERG S.p.A.             | 39,397   | 888      |
|                        |          |          |
| TOTAL                  | 39,831   | 1,236    |

The Trade payables due to ERG S.p.A. refer to the performance of I.T. services and fees to directors.

The Other payables relate to the estimated IRES taxation for the period that the company will be required to transfer as a result of the adoption of the consolidated taxes system, net of advance taxes paid and tax credits recovered. The 2003 figure only includes the VAT owed for the month of December that was transferred to the parent company for the consolidated account.

### Payables due to tax authorities

|   | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|---|----------|----------|
| Income tax for the financial period       | 881      | 2,322    |
| Inland revenue withholdings               | 24       | 33       |
| Other amounts owned to tax administration | 113      | 121      |
| TOTAL                                     | 1,019    | 2,477    |

The item amounting to Euro 1,019 thousand consists of IRAP net of advance payments during the year, withholdings on income for employees and self-employed workers and fees to discharge waste and emissions.

### Payables due to social security and national insurance institutions (Euro 45 thousand)

These amounts (equal to Euro 79 thousand as of 31 December 2003) refer to Euro 32 thousand due to various institutions for withholdings for social security, pension and insurance for the month of December 2004 and Euro 13 thousand in charges for employee vacation time and holidays not used, production bonuses and overtime not yet paid.

## Other payables

|                           | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|
| Amounts owed to employees | 45       | 212      |
| Other amounts owed        | 115      | 115      |
| TOTAL                     | 160      | 327      |
|                           |          |          |
|                           |          |          |
| 48                        |          |          |

Amounts owed to employees are for unused vacation time, paid holidays, overtime and production bonuses.

Other amounts owed refer to expenses from 2001 not yet paid to the Authority on Electricity and Gas.

### 7.12 Accrued expenses and deferred income

|  | 31.12.04 | 31.12.03 |
|--|----------|----------|
| Accruals:                                    |          |          |
| Additional monthly salaries and withholdings |          | 33       |
| Accruals on swap operations (IRS)            | 292      | 336      |
| TOTAL  | 292      | 369      |

The accruals include the differences in interest rate swap operations in 2004 obtained from project financing.

Below is an outline of due dates accounted under liabilities:

|  | within 12<br>months | within<br>5 years | beyond<br>5 years | Total   |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------|
| Creditors                              |                     |                   |                   |         |
| - owed to shareholders for financing   | 3,757               | 10,741            | 33,565            | 48,062  |
| - owed to banks                        | 79,760              | 285,265           | 145,282           | 510,307 |
| - owed to suppliers                    | 23,740              |                   |                   | 23,740  |
| - owed to associated companies         | 21,305              | 3,603             | 450               | 25,359  |
| - owed to parent companies             | 39,831              |                   |                   | 39,831  |
| - owed to tax administration           | 1,019               |                   |                   | 1,019   |
| - owed to social security institutions | 45                  |                   |                   | 45      |
| - other creditors                      | 160                 |                   |                   | 160     |
|  | 169,616             | 299,609           | 179,297           | 648,522 |
| Accruals and deferred income           |                     |                   |                   |         |
| - accruals                             | 292                 |                   |                   | 292     |
|  |                     |                   |                   |         |
| TOTAL                                  | 169,908             | 299,609           | 179,297           | 648,814 |

### 7.13 Memorandum accounts (Euro 4,198 thousand)

The memorandum accounts mainly refer to raw materials in stock at ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee South Plant, amounting to Euro 4,198 thousand (Euro 3,137 thousand as of 31 December 2003).

The aforementioned project financing agreement should be referred to for details on ties on cash flow produced by the company and commitments undertaken through the interest rate swap operation activate to cover interest rates on project financing debt.

### 8. Income Statement Analysis

### 8.1 Value of Production (Euro 479,344 thousand)

### Revenues from sales and services

|   | 2004    | 2003    | 2002    |
|---|---------|---------|---------|
| Sales and services to clients:              |         |         |         |
| - Electricity                               | 462,509 | 404,703 | 408,922 |
| - Other services and sales                  | 4,717   | 3,081   | 2,436   |
|   | 467,227 | 407,785 | 411,358 |
| Sales and services to parent companies:     |         |         |         |
| - Heat                                      |         |         | 4,886   |
| - Steam                                     |         |         | 1,066   |
| - Oil                                       |         |         | 176     |
| - Other services and sales                  |         |         | 909     |
|   |         |         | 7,038   |
| Sales and services to associated companies: |         |         |         |
| - Heat                                      | 7,074   | 6,671   | 1,966   |
| - Steam                                     | 1,669   | 1,345   | 302     |
| - Oil                                       | 29      | 628     |         |
| - Other                                     | 1,037   | 1,058   | 248     |
|   | 9,808   | 9,703   | 2,516   |
|   |         |         |         |
| TOTAL                                       | 477,035 | 417,488 | 420,912 |

Revenues are mainly from the sale of electricity at CIP/6 rates including the rate adjustment for 2004 estimated at Euro 10,895 thousand.

Net sales reached 4,452 thousand MWh (4,000 thousand MWh in 2003).

Sales and services include other revenues for sales of sulphur and vanadium.

Revenues from associated companies refer to ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee for providing steam, air, water and other minor products.

Changes in inventories of finished goods, semi-finished goods and works in progress (Euro 145 thousand)

The changes (Euro 181 thousand as of December 31, 2003) are related to the increased value of inventories of concentrated vanadium in the amount of Euro 181 thousand, offset by the decreased value of sulphur in the amount of Euro 36 thousand.

## Capitalized internal work

|                                    | 2004  | 2003  | 2002 |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|
| Materials taken from the warehouse | 1,630 | 1,421 | 824  |
| TOTAL                              | 1,630 | 1,421 | 824  |
|                                    |       |       |      |
|                                    |       |       |      |
|                                    | 50    |       |      |

This item refers to the value of spare parts taken from inventory and capitalised at an investment increment.

### Other income and revenues

|   | 2004 | 2003  | 2002   |
|---|------|-------|--------|
| Insurance reimbursements                  |      | 4,529 | 5      |
| Penalties and compensation from suppliers | 14   | 38    | 21,066 |
| Sundry revenue and income                 | 521  | 1,012 | 329    |
| TOTAL                                     | 534  | 5,579 | 21,400 |

There were not any insurance indemnities. The other income mainly refers to:

hosting services, leasing out a portion of the small office building and telephone services for the associated company ISAB Energy Services amounting to Euro 340 thousand;

various services provided to the associated company ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee amounting to Euro 20 thousand;

leasing space in the office building, for Euro 29 thousand, charges for personnel attached to headquarters for Euro 113 thousand, from the parent company ERG Power & Gas.

### 8.2 Costs of production (Euro 302,761 thousand)

Costs for raw materials, ancillary materials, consumer goods and goods for sale

|                                | 2004    | 2003    | 2002    |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Raw materials and goods        | 178,076 | 160,529 | 155,262 |
| Materials and spare parts      | 5,980   | 11,426  | 9,585   |
| Sundry materials and purchases | 75      | 85      | 96      |
| TOTAL                          | 184,132 | 172,041 | 164,942 |

The goods purchased refer to oxygen and nitrogen amounting to Euro 52,898 thousand, electricity for Euro 13,567 thousand, methane gas for 5,138 thousand and raw materials provided by the associated company ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee for Euro 106,473 thousand.

Relations with the company in the group mainly concern the supply of diesel fuel amounting to Euro 11,204 thousand, feedstock amounting to Euro 80,001 thousand, combustible oil for Euro 4,919 thousand, LCO, virgin diesel, GPL and steam amounting to Euro 10,349 thousand.

The other purchases relate to spare parts for use in maintenance for Euro 2,628 thousand, ancillary materials and consumer goods for Euro 3,352 thousand, and sundry goods (fuel for vehicles, stationary, printed materials, forms, small office equipment, etc.) for Euro 75 thousand.

Ancillary materials include purchases of lubricating oil for Euro 274 thousand supplied by the associated company ERG Petroli.

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#### Costs for services

|  | 2004   | 2003   | 2002   |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Commercial services and transportation         | 3,166  | 3,310  | 6,271  |
| Maintenance and operational assistance         | 10,992 | 13,153 | 12,014 |
| Technical, legal and other advice and services | 3,381  | 3,294  | 4,488  |
| Insurance                                      | 11,009 | 12,608 | 9,732  |
| Personnel costs                                | 122    | 152    | 192    |
| Services from parent companies                 | 1,374  | 1,005  | 4,767  |
| Services from associated companies             | 22,999 | 23,535 | 18,659 |
| Other services                                 | 2,394  | 2,205  | 1,992  |
| TOTAL  | 55,436 | 59,261 | 58,115 |

Costs for services decreased by Euro 3,825 thousand compared to the previous year.

Industrial services for operating and maintaining the plants decreased by Euro 4,182 thousand. Administration and general services increased by Euro 675 thousand and sales services decreased by Euro 318 thousand. It should be noted that figures for 2002 include the cost for steam amounting to Euro 3,362 million listed under acquisition of raw materials in the following financial periods.

Services provided to parent companies refer to Euro 343 thousand for company services provided by ERG Power & Gas: such as systems management, administration and finance, sales, planning and control. And services were provided by ERG S.p.A. for staff activities amounting to Euro 157 thousand, IT services amounting to Euro 473 thousand, public relations amounting to Euro 96 thousand and Euro 305 thousand for fees paid to board members and management employed by the parent company.

The associated companies provided services for operating and maintaining the IGCC plant amounting to Euro 21,706 thousand, provided by ISAB Energy Services S.r.l., and fire fighting services, health assistance, marketing and human resources management provided by ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee amounting to Euro 1,292 thousand.

Pursuant to art. 2427 no. 16 of the civil code, the following amounts are shown that were paid to board members and statutory auditors:

| Directors | 192 |
|-----------|-----|
| Auditors  | 35  |

### Leases and rentals

| Rents paid              | 353   | 304   | 247   |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Long-term hires/leasing | 414   | 368   | 244   |
| Royalties               | 963   | 923   | 1,366 |
| TOTAL                   | 1,730 | 1,596 | 1,856 |

Costs for uses of assets refer to rent payable to store raw materials paid to the associated company ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee amounting to Euro 216 thousand, for car rentals amounting to Euro 36 thousand, office equipment amounting to Euro 53

thousand, computer and equipment leasing amounting to Euro 218 thousand and various rents and fees amounting to Euro 244 thousand.

The royalties, amounting to Euro 915 thousand, refer to the use of the Texaco Development-USA gasification process and the solvent reclaimer of MPR Service Inc.-USA amounting to Euro 48 thousand.

### Personnel costs

|                               | 2004 | 2003  | 2002  |
|-------------------------------|------|-------|-------|
| Wages and salaries            | 563  | 887   | 952   |
| Social security contributions | 197  | 285   | 284   |
| Severance indemnities         | 40   | 62    | 65    |
| Other costs                   | 3    | 16    | 19    |
| TOTAL                         | 803  | 1,250 | 1,320 |

ISAB Energy Services operates the IGCC plant for the company. Therefore the cost for staff is only for administration and not for operations.

Below is the average number of employees broken down into categories:

|            | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
|------------|------|------|------|
| Managers   |      | 3    | 4    |
| Executives | 4    | 4    | 4    |
| Employees  | 7    | 13   | 11   |
| TOTAL      | 11   | 20   | 19   |

The reduction from twenty employees in 31 December 2003 to the current level of 11 as of 31 December 2004 is due to the reorganisation carried out in line with the business of Gruppo ERG. 3 executives and 6 clerks were transferred to the sub-holding ERG Power & Gas.

### Amortization and depreciation

|   | 2004   | 2003   | 2002   |
|---|--------|--------|--------|
| Amortisation of intangible fixed assets | 8,856  | 8,741  | 8,795  |
| Depreciation of tangible fixed assets   | 38,711 | 37,834 | 36,981 |
| TOTAL                                   | 47,566 | 46,575 | 45,776 |

Amortisation of intangible assets increased for investments made on company software.

Depreciation of tangible assets increased for capitalisations and assets brought forward and the application of the component approach on IGCC technical units. This criteria provides for a distinct evaluation of the life cycle of the main components of each plant unit.

### Changes in inventories of raw materials, ancillary materials, consumable materials and goods for sale

|                                     | 2004  | 2003  | 2002    |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| Change in raw materials             | (182) | (15)  | 285     |
| Change in materials and spare parts | 1,255 | 190   | (1,497) |
| Depreciation for spare parts        |       | 850   |         |
| TOTAL                               | 1,072 | 1,024 | (1,212) |

The stock of raw materials rose due to higher amounts kept in stock amounting to approximately 378 tons.

The amount of consumables went down mainly due to fewer spare parts dept in stock.

### Other provisions (Euro 7,966 thousand)

The item other provisions (in 2003: Euro 5,479 thousand; in 2002: Euro 6,459 thousand) mainly consists of costs for maintenance for plant stand-still times and includes social costs to recuperate withholding benefits on employees of ISAB Energy Services.

## Other operating costs

|                                    | 2004  | 2003  | 2002  |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Duties and taxes for the year      | 3,658 | 3,501 | 3,501 |
| Entertainment and public relations | 60    | 51    | 159   |
| Losses on disposal of assets       | 339   | 1,682 | 139   |
| TOTAL                              | 4,056 | 5,234 | 3,799 |

The taxes in question refer to I.C.I. paid to the city of Priolo Gargallo amounting to Euro 3,242 thousand, taxes for waste management, emissions, additional tax on electricity and other charges.

The capital loss is relative to the ordinary transfer of assets and electronic machines (personal computers) sold as obsolete.

### 8.3 Financial income and charges (Euro 28,719 thousand)

Other financial income:

|  | 2004  | 2003  | 2002  |
|--|-------|-------|-------|
| Bank interest receivables                      | 1,403 | 1,901 | 2,300 |
| Interest receivables from parent companies     |       |       | 52    |
| Interest receivables from associated companies | 3     | 177   | 26    |
| Sundry financial income                        | 86    | 102   | 132   |
| TOTAL  | 1,493 | 2,180 | 2,510 |

Interest due from banks mainly from the current accounts held at Citibank Milan. Interest from associated companies is due from ERG Raffinerie Mediterranee for sales. Other income is for interest due from clients as penalty fees.

### Interests and other financial charges

|   | 2004   | 2003   | 2002   |
|---|--------|--------|--------|
| Interest payable on bank financing            | 16,685 | 21,338 | 30,971 |
| Financial expenses payable on bank financing  | 4,025  | 4,598  | 5,780  |
| Payables due to swap differentials            | 7,081  | 13,428 | 9,461  |
| Interest payable on other financing           | 2,414  | 2,540  | 2,804  |
| Sundry interest payable and financial charges | 5      | 186    | 722    |
| TOTAL   | 30,210 | 42,090 | 49,737 |

Total charges for the year on financing obtained from the project financing operation was reduced by Euro 11,573 thousand compared to the previous year mainly due to the lower debt because of instalment payments.

Interest owed for other financing refers to amounts owed to shareholders totalling Euro 2,414 thousand and divided into Euro 1,231 thousand owed to the major shareholder ERG Power & Gas and Euro 1,183 thousand for the minor shareholder MEC Priolo B.V., and its parent company Ponama Holdings Limited.

### Profits and losses on foreign currency exchanges

|                                       | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Profits on foreign currency exchanges | 17   | 288  | 56   |
| Losses on foreign currency exchanges  | (20) | (14) | (60) |
| TOTAL                                 | (2)  | 273  | (5)  |

The exchange differences arise from the ordinary management of payments made primarily to suppliers.

Generally in such transaction, the company uses the Euro as the base currency, except for certain transactions outside of the European Union that were recorded in the accounting assessment item at the end of 2004.

Therefore, there was no need to perform a spot exchange adjustment at the end of the year.

Changes in the exchange rate had no significant impact following the end of the financial year.

### 8.4 Extraordinary income and charges

|                                    | 2004 | 2003  | 2002  |
|------------------------------------|------|-------|-------|
| Extraordinary income               |      |       |       |
| Gain on disposal of assets         |      |       |       |
|                                    |      |       |       |
| Extraordinary charges              |      |       |       |
| Taxes pertaining to previous years |      | 332   | 391   |
| Loss on disposal of assets         |      |       |       |
|                                    |      | 332   | 391   |
|                                    |      |       |       |
| TOTAL                              |      | (332) | (391) |

There were no extraordinary components for this item in 2004.

#### 8.5 Income tax

|                       | 2004   | 2003   | 2002  |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|-------|
| Current IRES          | 41,795 | 2,440  |       |
| Current IRAP          | 6,471  | 5,675  | 7,290 |
| Deferred net taxation | 9,856  | 3,568  | 72    |
| TOTAL                 | 58,122 | 11,683 | 7,362 |

The provision for income taxes were calculated based on foreseeable taxable income in consideration of current tax legislation and in relation to the tax consolidation act.

The considerable increase in tax charges was caused by the fact that the 2004 financial period corresponds to the first period of being completely subject to IRES. Indeed, it should be noted that from 5 October 2003, after being exempt for ten years, company income has been taxable.

Advance taxes refer to IRES for Euro 2,956 thousand and IRAP for Euro 215 thousand. Their calculation is mainly based on transfers of provisions for risks and charges which generated advance IRES and IRAP amounting respectively to Euro 2,617 thousand and Euro 337 thousand.

Limited to IRAP, Euro 163 thousand was paid as a return on taxes paid on charges capitalised during construction of the IGCC plant.

The deferred taxes are from value adjustments not listed in the profit and loss account and will be calculated according to current legislation and indicated in the income declaration. The amounts allocated refer to IRES for Euro 11,541 thousand and IRAP for Euro 1,486 thousand.

## Reconciliation between financial statements and theoretical tax charges

## **IRES**

| Profit before taxes                                | 147,864  |        |
|--|----------|--------|
| Theoretical IRES taxation (33%)                    |          | 48,795 |
| Taxable timing differences-subsequent years        | (34,974) |        |
| Deductible timing differences-subsequent years     | 8,252    |        |
| Transfer of timing differences from previous years | 674      |        |
| Permanent differences                              | 4,836    |        |
| IRES taxable incame                                | 126,651  |        |
| Balance sheet IRES                                 |          | 41,795 |

## **IRAP**

| Difference between production value and costs                  | 176,583  |       |
|--|----------|-------|
| Costs and revenues not relevant for IRAP tax purposes          | 803      |       |
| Reclassified costs and revenues relevant for IRAP tax purposes |          |       |
| IRAP theoretical taxable base                                  | 177,386  |       |
| Theoretical taxable base (4.25%)                               |          | 7,539 |
| Taxable timing differences-subsequent years                    | (34,974) |       |
| Deductible timing differences-subsequent years                 | 8,096    |       |
| Transfer of timining differences from previous years           | 833      |       |
| Permanent differences  | 912      |       |
|  |          |       |
| IRAP taxable incame  | 152,253  |       |
| Balance sheet IRAP   |          | 6,471 |

### 8.6 Financial results

The financial statements as of December 31, 2004 show a profit of Euro 89,742 thousand.

## 9. Cash Flow Statements

| (Thousands of euro)                                   | 2004      | 2003      | 2002     |
|---|-----------|-----------|----------|
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES (A)              |           |           |          |
| Net profit (loss) for the period                      | 89,742    | 80,548    | 106,959  |
| Amortization  | 47,566    | 46,575    | 45,776   |
| Losses / (gains) on asset disposals                   | 338       | 1,643     | 139      |
| Changes in assets and liabilities:                    |           |           |          |
| Inventories   | 888       | 67        | (980)    |
| Trading account receivables                           | (10,252)  | 32,994    | (23,639) |
| Other short term assets                               | 9,509     | 16,320    | (5,932)  |
| Trading account payables                              | 1,807     | 989       | (7,779)  |
| Accruals and provisions                               | 7,871     | (1,624)   | 6,358    |
| Other short term liabilities                          | 36,773    | (3,690)   | 3,203    |
| Net cash provided (used in) operating activities      | 184,242   | 173,822   | 124,107  |
|   |           |           |          |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES (B)              |           |           |          |
| Investments in fixed assets                           | (591)     | (473)     | (268)    |
| Investments in intangible assets                      | (7,454)   | (12,905)  | (11,791) |
| Disposals of fixed assets                             | 5         | 98        |          |
| Net cash used in investing activities                 | (8,040)   | (13,280)  | (12,059) |
|   |           |           |          |
| CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES (C)              |           |           |          |
| Increase (decrease) in mid-long term debt             | (88,496)  | (71,955)  | (60,040) |
| Increase (decrease) in short term debt                | 402       | (53,667)  | 8,306    |
| Dividends   | (39,000)  | (18,260)  | (33,534) |
| Net cash provided from (used in) financing activities | (127,094) | (143,882) | (85,267) |
|   |           |           |          |
| INCREASE / (DECREASE) IN CASH (A+B+C)                 | 49,106    | 16,660    | 26,781   |
|   |           |           |          |
| CASH, BEGINNING OF YEAR                               | 101,761   | 85,101    | 58,321   |
| INCREASE IN CASH (A+B+C)                              | 49,106    | 16,660    | 26,781   |
| CASH, END OF YEAR                                     | 150,867   | 101,761   | 85,101   |
|   |           |           |          |
| 58  |           |           |          |
|   |           |           |          |

### 10. Reconciliation to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in the United States

(Amounts in Thousands of Euro, unless otherwise indicated)

The Company s accounting policies for financial reporting in accordance with Italian GAAP differ in certain respects from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States (US GAAP). Significant differences, which have an effect on Net Income / (Loss) and Shareholders Equity, are described below:

(a) Levelisation of incentive component - The selling tariffs of electricity are established annually by the Italian Authority for Energy in accordance to an Italian Law, referred to as CIP/6, applicable to Italian companies that generate electricity through renewable sources; this includes, for the first eight years of operations, an incentive premium. The incentive is currently being received by the Company as part of its annual billing to GTRN; for purposes of Italian GAAP revenue recognition, the amount of the incentive is billed annually and recognized in the Profit and Loss Statement.

Under US GAAP, EITF 91-6, Revenue Recognition of Long-Term Power Sales Contracts ( EITF 91-6 ), provides the framework for revenue recognition on these types of arrangements. Within EITF 91-6, the Company s contract falls under the type 1 contract, that is, a contract where the utility is obligated to take or pay for all power made available by the independent power producer for the term of the contract. The price per KwH is specified and could either increase or decrease during the contract term. EITF 91-6 states that revenue recognition for these types of contracts should be at the lower of i) amounts billable under the contract and ii) an amount equal to the KwH made available during the period multiplied by the estimated average revenue per KwH over the term of the contract. The determination of the lesser amount should be made annually based on the cumulative amounts that would have been recognized had each method been applied consistently since the commencement of the contract.

Therefore, for US GAAP purposes, such incentive should be recognized in income over the life of the fifteen-year power sales contract. Therefore, a portion of the CIP/6 incentive billed in each of the first eight years of the plant operation is being deferred to the following years.

The estimated amount to be deferred at December 31, 2004 reflects the 2004 reforecast of the production for the years from 2005 to 2015 and excludes the inflation effect on the incentive rate.

(b) Capitalization of refinancing costs In 2000, the project-financing contract was re-negotiated in order to extend its length; according to Italian GAAP, the cost of this re-negotiation was charged to the 2000 statement of operations.

The accounting under US GAAP for this situation is highlighted in EITF 96-19, Debtor s Accounting for a Modification or Exchange of Debt Instruments (EITF 96-19). According to EITF 96-19, an exchange of debt is considered significant if, from the debtor s perspective, an exchange of debt instruments between or a modification of a debt instrument by a debtor and a creditor in a non troubled debt situation is deemed to have been accomplished with debt instruments that are substantially different if the present value of the cash flows under the terms of the new debt

instrument is at least 10 percent different from the present value of the remaining cash flows under the terms of the original instrument. The restructuring of the debt arrangement and the resultant net present value of the cash flows was not more than the 10% required by EITF 96-19, therefore, the exchange was not considered substantially different. Such costs have been capitalized and amortized over the life of the project-financing contract.

- (c) Reversal of cyclical maintenance fund The plant consists of two separate lines, which need to be shut down every four years for cyclical maintenance. According to Italian GAAP, the budgeted costs for the cyclical maintenance are distributed over the scheduled cycle period through the accrual of a cyclical maintenance provision. Actual costs are charged against the reserve as incurred. According to US GAAP, all maintenance costs are entirely charged to the statement of operations when incurred or, to the extent necessary, capitalized.
- (d) Derivatives The only derivative products in use by Isab are interest rate swaps and rate cap contracts, which are used to lock-in a targeted level of interest rates on the Company's long-term debt. For Italian GAAP purposes, the changes in the fair value of the hedges are not recognized. For US GAAP purposes, it is necessary to designate derivative financial instruments at the time of their inception in order to qualify for hedge accounting. The Company had certain derivatives that had qualified for hedge accounting treatment; such contracts, initiated in previous years, expired during 2003. The fair values of these expired hedges were included in Shareholders Equity. All contracts initiated in December 2003 did not qualify for hedge accounting and their fair value (total net amount of 4.5 million) was recognized in the 2003 profit and loss account; the change in their fair value as of December 31, 2004 (total net amount of 1.3 million loss) has been recognized in the 2004 profit and loss account.
- (e) Settlement agreement A claim was pending between Isab and the plant construction consortium for costs related to delayed start up of the plant and additional construction costs related to change orders.

On February 17, 2003, the syndicate banks gave their consent to the settlement agreement reached with the consortium, the agreement was signed on December 30, 2002. By way of indemnity and considerations for the reached agreements, the Consortium agreed to pay a total amount of Euro 21,030 thousand, mainly including reimbursement of profit lost due to delivery delays of the plant, a portion of which (Euro 15,000 thousand) was to be in cash within February 2003 and an additional Euro 6,030 thousand in assignment of receivables of the consortium from Isab for royalties.

In accordance with Italian Law, the effectiveness of the settlement was retroactive to the signature date and the settlement was treated as income in the year ended December 31, 2002. For US GAAP purposes, the settlement has been recognized in 2003 as it was contingent on future events, in particular the consent of the banks. Under US GAAP, the liquidated damages, including indemnification of loss of profit recoverable from the construction consortium, are recorded as a reduction of plant basis, while the assignment of the receivables will be recognized in the years it occurs.

- (f) Accounting for start-up costs 
  Under Italian GAAP, the Company has capitalized and deferred various costs, mainly start-up and other ancillary costs such as training that are to be expensed as incurred under US GAAP. In addition, other costs related to the Construction phase are being amortized over five years for Italian GAAP purposes, whereas for U.S. GAAP these costs are part of the plant asset and are therefore being amortized over the expected life of the plant.
- (g) Recognition of insurance reimbursement The Company incurred certain reimbursable damages in 2001, for which insurance claims were filed. According to Italian GAAP, these claims are recognized when reasonably estimable on the basis of

supporting documentation. For US GAAP purposes, these amounts are not recognized until they are realizable. As at December 31, 2003 and 2004 no differences in recognition of receivables from insurance companies exist and, therefore, the US GAAP differences related to previous years have reversed.

(h) Accounting for income taxes - In the accompanying reconciliation the effects of the recognition of deferred income taxes relate only to the US GAAP adjustments that give rise to temporary differences between the reporting basis for Italian GAAP and the reporting basis for US GAAP; no significant differences exist between the method of accounting for deferred income taxes applied by Isab under Italian GAAP and US GAAP. The Italian statutory taxation is based on a national tax (IRPEG - 36% in 2002 and previous years, 34% in 2003;) and on a Regional Tax on Productive Activities (IRAP 4.25%). The temporary differences, which will reverse in 2004 and following, considers the effect of the Italian tax reform enacted in 2003 effective from January 1, 2004 which replaces IRPEG with IRES 33%; the effects of the change in tax rate is included in the 2003 profit and loss account. The taxable basis for the computation of IRAP is essentially operating income, calculated on the basis of the legal Italian statements, plus labor costs and interest expenses. In addition, the company was in a ten-year exemption from IRPEG, which expired in October 2003; the 2003 income was therefore taxable at the average IRPEG rate of approximately 8.5%, which corresponds to the application of the full tax rate (34%) on a pro-rata basis for one-quarter of 2003.

The following table summarizes the significant adjustments to the net loss and quotaholders equity which would be required if US GAAP had been applied instead of Italian accounting principles.

(Amounts in Thousands of Euro)

|   |                                     | 2004      | NET EQUITY<br>2003 | 2002      | 2004     | Increase / Decrease<br>NET RESULT<br>2003 | 2002     |
|---|-------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|----------|---|----------|
|   | Amounts as per Italian GAAP         | 257,113   | 206,371            | 144,083   | 89,742   | 80,548                                    | 106,959  |
|   |                                     |           |                    |           |          |   |          |
| a | Levelisation of Incentive Component | (245,444) | (186,342)          | (130,553) | (59,103) | (55,788)                                  | (54,493) |
| b | Capitalization refinancing costs    | 4,206     | 4,626              | 5,047     | (421)    | (421)                                     | (421)    |
| c | Reversal cyclical maintenance fund  | 14,767    | 7,352              | 9,716     | 7,415    | (2,364)                                   | 6,412    |
| d | Derivatives                         | (5,940)   | (4,596)            | (12,078)  | (1,344)  | 1,387                                     | 877      |
| e | Settlement agreement                | (17,744)  | (19,409)           | (21,030)  | 1,665    | 1,621                                     | (21,030) |
| f | Accounting for start up costs       | 9,969     | 5,339              | 710       | 4,630    | 4,630                                     | 4,146    |
|   | Recognition of insurance            |           |                    |           |          |   |          |
| g | reimbursements                      | 0         | 0                  | (895)     | 0        | 895                                       | 3,082    |
| h | Accounting for income taxes         | 89,469    | 71,903             | 56,162    | 17,566   | 16,548                                    | 25,765   |
|   |                                     |           |                    |           |          |   |          |
|   | Amounts in accordance with US       |           |                    |           |          |   |          |
|   | GAAP                                | 106,396   | 85,246             | 51,162    | 60,150   | 47,056                                    | 71,297   |
|   |                                     |           |                    |           |          |   |          |
|   |                                     |           |                    |           |          |   |          |
|   |                                     |           | 61                 |           |          |   |          |

Shareholders equity consisted of the following:

|                                   | Capital stock | Additional paid in capital | Retained<br>earnings | Total    |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------|
| Balance as of December 31, 2001   | 5,165         | 24,302                     | (17,163)             | 12,304   |
| Dividends payable as a note       |               |                            | (8,533)              | (8,533)  |
| Dividends                         |               |                            | (25,000)             | (25,000) |
| Fair value of hedging derivatives |               |                            | 1,094                | 1,094    |
| 2002 result                       |               |                            | 71,297               | 71,297   |
| Balance as of December 31, 2002   | 5,165         | 24,302                     | 21,695               | 51,162   |
|                                   |               |                            |                      |          |
| Dividends                         |               |                            | (18,260)             | (18,260) |
| Fair value of hedging derivatives |               |                            | 5,288                | 5,288    |
| 2003 result                       |               |                            | 47,056               | 47,056   |
| Balance as of December 31, 2003   | 5,165         | 24,302                     | 55,779               | 85,246   |
|                                   |               |                            |                      |          |
| Dividends                         |               |                            | (39,000)             | (39,000) |
| 2004 result                       |               |                            | 60,150               | 60,150   |
| Balance as of December 31, 2004   | 5,165         | 24,302                     | 76,929               | 106,396  |

The coverage of losses under Italian GAAP utilizing paid-in capital has been reclassified under Additional paid-in capital , for the purpose of US GAAP.

Furthermore, the reimbursement of paid in capital (Euro 8,533 thousand), classified in the Italian accounts as increase of subordinated debt from Shareholders is classified in the above table as dividends.

Italian law requires that 5% of a company s net income be retained as a legal reserve, until such reserve equals 20% of the share capital. This reserve, amounting to Euro 1,033 thousand at December 31, 2004, is not available for distribution.

Rome, March 23, 2004

On behalf of the Board of Directors

The Chairman

Jonathan GIBSON

### Attachment

Following is a table containing essential information from the latest financial statements of ERG S.p.A., the company that exercises management and coordination over ISAB Energy S.r.l.

For the sake of completeness, it should be noted that ERG S.p.A. also draws up the consolidated financial statements of the ERG Group.

### **BALANCE SHEET**

|   | 12.31.03 |
|---|----------|
| Assets                                      |          |
| A) Unpaid subscribed capital                |          |
| B) Fixed assets                             | 263,289  |
| C) Current assets                           | 163,104  |
| D) Accrued income and prepayments           | 1,017    |
| Total assets                                | 427,409  |
| Total assets                                | 427,407  |
| Liabilities                                 |          |
| A) Capital and reserves                     |          |
| - Share capital                             | 16,178   |
| - Reserves                                  | 199,656  |
| - Profits (losses) for the financial period | 1,749    |
| ` /   | 217,583  |
| B) Provisions for risks and charges         | 1,636    |
| C) Employee severance indemnity             | 5,066    |
| D) Payables                                 | 202,572  |
| E) Accrued expenses and deferred income     | 551      |
| Total liabilities                           | 427,409  |
| INCOME STATEMENT                            |          |
|   |          |
| A) Value of Production                      | 26,987   |
| B) Costs of Production                      | (48,996) |
| C) Income and financial charges             | 28,089   |
| D) Value adjustment of financial assets     | (6,584)  |
| E) Extraordinary income and charges         | 473      |
| Income taxes for the period                 | 1,779    |
| Profits (losses) for the financial period   | 1,749    |
|   |          |
| 63  |          |

### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Amendment No. 2 on Form 10-K/A to its annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

# EDISON MISSION ENERGY (REGISTRANT)

By: /s/ W. James Scilacci

W. James Scilacci

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial

Officer

Date: June 15, 2005

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

| Signature  | Title  | Date          |
|--|--|---------------|
| /s/ Theodore F. Craver, Jr.<br>Theodore F. Craver, Jr. | Director, Chairman of the Board, President<br>and Chief Executive Officer<br>(Principal Executive Officer) | June 15, 2005 |
| /s/ Mark C. Clarke<br>Mark C. Clarke                   | Vice President and Controller<br>(Controller or Principal Accounting<br>Officer)                           | June 15, 2005 |
| /s/ Thomas R. McDaniel<br>Thomas R. McDaniel           | Director   | June 15, 2005 |
| /s/ Bryant C. Danner<br>Bryant C. Danner               | Director   | June 15, 2005 |
|  | 64   |               |