

VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULES 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

June 27, 2003

VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT
(formerly Vivendi Environnement)
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

36-38, avenue Kléber
75116 Paris, France
(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes No

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Strategic Rail Authority (SRA) ends negotiations
on South Eastern franchise

Paris, June 27th, 2003. The Strategic Rail Authority (SRA) has informed Connex of its unilateral decision to end the negotiation process started in 2002 in view of restoring the economic viability of the South Eastern rail franchise for years 2004-6. The SRA has placed Connex on 6 months' notice ending 31 December 2003.

The SRA has announced its intention to issue a call for tender very soon for the new Integrated Kent Franchise, incorporating South Eastern services.

Connex does not understand this decision, especially since Connex's performance in recent years has proven systematically better than those of the 2 other major commuter franchises in the South London area.

From now, Connex will continue to manage day-to-day business with professionalism and responsibility, avoiding any adverse effect of this decision to the staff and the customers.

Connex, the Transport division of Veolia Environnement, is the first European private operator of public passenger transport. Present in 22 countries, Connex realised in 2002 a turnover of 3.4 billion euros. Connex has 55,200 employees worldwide. Connex operates 24,200 road vehicles and trains and carries over 1,4 billion passengers a year.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: June 27, 2003

VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT

By: /s/ Jérôme Contamine
Name: Jérôme Contamine
Title: Chief Financial Officer