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## **Vivendi Will Appeal to Overturn Jury Verdict**

Vivendi announced today that it disagrees with the decision returned on January 29, 2010 by a jury in the U.S. securities class action trial before the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. The jury found that several public statements made by Vivendi between October 30, 2000 and August 14, 2002 violated the U.S. securities laws.

Vivendi strongly disagrees with the findings against the company, which the company believes are contrary to the facts and the law, in particular with respect to an alleged hidden liquidity risk.

The amount of damages that Vivendi may be required to pay as a result of this verdict remains uncertain and will be known at a later and as yet undetermined stage. The verdict calculates the damages on a per-share and per-day basis and it is impossible to know at this time the total number of shares traded by class members, the dates of the relevant sales and the number of class members who will submit a valid claim after receiving notice of the decision.

Vivendi intends to pursue all available paths of action to overturn the verdict.

Vivendi believes that there are many grounds for appeal, including, but not limited to the Court's decision to include French shareholders in the class, its rulings on jurisdiction and the plaintiffs' erroneous method of proving and calculating damages, as well as the numerous incorrect rulings made during the course of the trial. Furthermore, Vivendi believed, and continues to believe strongly, that it did nothing wrong and that this case raises significant legal issues for foreign corporations doing business in the United States that need to be definitively resolved.

Vivendi remains confident concerning the ultimate confirmation of the legal integrity of its actions and its public statements.

### **About Vivendi**

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