## **Investor day**

## Innovation: serving the Habitat strategy

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## **Innovation in the Habitat market**

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*Energy and the environment: A strategic concern for Saint-Gobain*  

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# People will have used fossil fuels for only a very short period in the history of mankind





#### The green house effect









## **Vostok Curve**



## In conclusion

#### We need to:

• prepare for the end of fossil fuels

- Slow down consumption
- limit CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

#### This means:

- saving energy
- identifying renewable energy sources





## **Energy and the environment**

#### **Energy use in Europe**

Millions of tons oil equivalent (Mtoe)



## **Energy consumption in buildings**

kWhpe/m<sup>2</sup>/year



## Europe/USA Potential savings > 500 Mtoe (25%)



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## Strategic, cross-business programs

Strategic research programs to save energy

- Strategic research programs to develop renewable energy sources
- Cross-business programs



## Strategic research programs to save energy

- High performance insulation
- External insulation
- Active Glazing
- Lighting
- Solid Oxide Fuel Cells (SOFC)



#### We like a glass house...





#### ...but not only...





## **Numerous insulation solutions**



#### Looking to the future: super insulation



## **High Performance Insulating Systems**

#### Conductivity vs. Price for $1m^2/R=1$



## **External Insulation**

## **ETICS**

 External Thermal Insulation Composite System



## **Ventilated façades**







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#### From static to active insulation

#### Glass which reflects heat

#### Materials that react to heat

• Phase change materials

- Intelligent windows
  - Electrochromic glass



#### Ultra-thin, transparent silver layers on glass ...



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## For sophisticated glazing that returns heat back into the room



#### ...and heats!



## What is a phase change material?



A material that can store heat or cold

Liquid

**Stored heat** 

2 potential applications

- Comfort in the summer
- Energy savings



## **Electrochromic glass: it changes color**





#### **Electrochromic Glazing**



## Using fossil fuel more efficiently: Fuel cell CHP



## Lighting

## Daylighting: a better use of natural light



New technologies from electronics: Light Emitting Diodes (LED) and Organic Light Emitting Diodes (OLED)

Operating principle





## **LEDs and OLEDs for lighting**

#### LEDs

- A well developed technology
- Mainly for point objects

## **OLEDs**

- Prototypes exist but the technology is just getting off the ground
- Well suited to large surfaces
- May ultimately work on flexible media







## **Light Emitting Diodes**













## **OLED: Organic Light Emitting diodes**

#### More recent






# **Lighted interiors**



# **Changing ambiance**









# Strategic research programs to develop renewable energy sources

#### Biomass

Bio-sourced materials

Energy efficient, environmentally friendly processes

### **Solar**

- ► Glass for PV cells
- Solar concentrator mirrors
- Thin film PV modules
- Building integrated photovoltaics (BIPV)



## **Biomass**

A renewable energy

• Carbon neutral?



### **Opportunities for Saint-Gobain**

- Second generation biofuels
  - Catalyst media for Fischer-Tropsch fuels
- Direct use
  - Cast iron and glass
- Syngas production





# **First generation biofuels**

#### First generation biofuels

- Sugar-based alcohol
  - ► Sugar cane
  - Used directly as a fuel
- Biodiesel: an "oil" extracted directly from oilseeds
  - Rapeseed, sunflower seeds, etc.

#### But raises ethical issues...

Competition with food production





# Making cast iron pipes with biomass

#### Charcoal instead of coke in Brazil





# Using biomass to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

Renedo EcoBoosting project



SCM (submerged combustion melter)







# Towards improved energy efficiency and environmental impact in our processes

#### Energy

- New methods of glass melting
  - Submerged burner
  - Flameless burners
- Reduction of the amount of water in gypsum (plasterboard)

#### Environment (reduce CO<sub>2</sub>...)

- Renewable energy: Biomass
  - ► Glass, Pipes,...
- Electric ovens

#### Tangible results already achieved

 Energy reduction in glass furnaces







"I'd put my money on the sun and solar energy. What a source of power! I hope we don't have to wait until oil and coal run out before we tackle that."

Thomas Edison 1931

## **Photovoltaic effect**



## **Photovoltaic cells**

## First generation: silicon cells

• Single crystal and multicrystalline

#### Second generation: thin film

• Amorphous silicon, CIGS, CdTe, etc.





## **Photovoltaics: a host of applications**



Solar farms to generate electricity Roof-mounted panels for distributed production Panels for autonomous solutions

## A solar farm



# **Two major challenges**

#### Reduce the cost of

- Modules
- Installation



Integrate panels into buildings

- On rooftops, of course
- But also in:
  - ► Windows
  - ► Walls





# Solar: a large number of projects..

#### **See Jean-Pierre Floris's presentation**







### **Cross-business Habitat innovation to meet local market needs**



# **Cross-business programs**

- **1.** Anti-microbial surfaces
- **2.** Catalysis
- **3.** Physical/chemical properties of building materials
- **4.** Acoustics
- 5. Cement-based materials
- 6. Energy efficient building skin
- 7. Functional, flexible substrates
- 8. Fire resistance of materials



# **Acoustics: Duo'Tech**

- Plasterboard with very high noise-proofing performance
- Developed by leveraging multiple competencies:
  - Market needs: Placo
  - Skill-set: Flat glass (CRDC)
  - Glue: Weber

Silver medal for innovation at Batimat 2009



Film acoustique

Micro-déformation par cisalliement
Dissipation de l'énergie acoustique
Amortissement des vibrations

## Placo<sup>®</sup> Duo'Tech 25

#### A revolution in plasterboard Plasterboard with very high noise-proofing performance



# Physical/chemical properties of building materials

#### Weber flooring for stores in China

- Developed using our ceramics capability
  - Shanghai Research Center





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# **Energy efficiency of building envelopes**

Better understanding of the role of materials / systems / building

Simulation based on our strong competency in furnace modeling

In situ tests and modeling



# Open your eyes...

The states

No.

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## **Increased resources**

- Evolution of resources
- Patents
- Methodology
  - Project management
  - Portfolio management
- Evolution of the centers of research
- An outward looking R&D
  - Techno Marketing
  - NOVA EV
  - Saint-Gobain University Network: SUN



#### Increased resources...

#### R&D expenses in €m and in % sales (excluding Building Distribution)

Number of scientists



# 965 1,033 1,072 1,132 1,138 1,156 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010

Global number: 3,500 employees

# ...which have allowed us to increase the number of patents

# Number of patents (family of patents)



#### Four transversal research centers

Centers of interaction to favor exchanges and the emergence of common projects

# Aubervilliers France

Domains

Glass; Coatings; Reactive Materials (Mortars, Polymers, Gypsum, Cement); Habitat (lighting, Thermal comfort, etc.)

#### **CREE France**

Domains

Ceramics Grains&Powders Catalysis



#### Northboro United States



#### Domains

Ceramics; Grains&Powders; Abrasives; Plastics; Crystals Gypsum; Exterior products; Roofing

#### SGRS (Shanghai)



#### Domains

Ceramics Abrasives Polymers

## An outward looking R&D

#### **Techno Marketing Team**

#### Nova

#### **SUN:** Saint-Gobain University Network



# **Techno-Marketing**



At the interface between the evolution of the markets and the evolution of the technologies:

- Develop new markets based on strong technological markets
  - > Ex: SOFC, Solar, External Insulation, Active glazing, etc.
- Develop new technologies for emerging markets
  - Ex: Lighting, Biomass, High performance insulation, etc.

#### An international team

• 15 people (USA 8, Europe 4, Asia 3)

Managed by Innovative Materials but open to all the Group

- Transversal steering committee
  - Corporate R&D, Marketing, planning + sectors representatives
- To serve all the Group



# NOVA: when our innovation originates from start-ups

#### Objective

Partnerships with start-ups

#### Diverse modes of collaboration

- Licensing, co-development
- Production agreements and distribution
- Joint ventures, equity investments

#### A dedicated team to

- Validate technology and market
- Identify relevant start-ups
- Identify potential collaborations
- Pass the baton to the business or R&D









# NOVA is now 4 years old

#### The means

- A dedicated team (6 people) spread over 3 continents
- A specific committee with 8 representative from CP and IM Sectors
- Dedicated legal support from the legal department

### The results

- More than 1,400 start-ups examined
- 120 start-ups analyzed in detail, with business support
- 28 contracts signed across all sectors



### An academic Network of universities and institutes

#### Saint-Gobain University Network: SUN

- The latest scientific advances in the academic world
- Access to top level skills
- Research partnerships in emerging countries



# A rigorous methodology shared across all sectors

Saint-Gobain Gate Process: a management tool for each project

Sirius: a management tool for the project portfolio


# Saint-Gobain Gate Process, a management tool for each project

- Continual evaluation process: the project can be stopped at any gate if the objectives, set in advance, are not met
- Steering Committee with the presence of marketing or relevant industrial branches
- Includes a risk-analysis based on technical, commercial, legal and Health and Safety assessments



# Sirius, a management tool of the project portfolio

Consolidation of the

projects in the R&D

centers

Jul-Sept

Discussion between sectors / centers / teams

#### Sirius Objectives

- To assist in implementing the Group strategy
- To manage our R&D portfolio in an effective manner using the risk-opportunity matrix

Strategic planning

projects update

May -June



#### Main steps:

Calendar per activities

### A dynamic evolution of the project portfolio



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**Unique differentiating strength to underpin our leadership** 

A clear road-map

An ambitious R&D organized to serve the innovation needs of the Habitat market

- Reach 25% of new product sales in 2015
- A portfolio of projects generating around €7bn of sales in 2015
  - A profitability above Group average
- For €400m of R&D expenses

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