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FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a- 16 or 15d- 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of January, 2005

GENERAL COMPANY OF GEOPHYSICS

(translation of registrant s name into English)

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

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Yes o No b

If Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82

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COMPAGNIE GENERALE DE GEOPHYSIQUE

(ISIN: FR0000120164 NYSE: GGY)

Paris, January 5th 2005

CGG partially redeem its US\$ 225 million Senior Notes

The Board of Directors of CGG held on December 8, 2004 authorized the company to partially redeem its US\$ 225 million 10 5/8% Senior Notes, up to US\$ 75 million. Such redemption implies the payment of an early reimbursement corresponding to a six-month interest, corresponding to 5.3125% of the total redemption amount, i.e. \$3.984.37. The redemption of the notes shall actually take place on January 26, 2005.

The information included herein contains certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the securities act of 1933 and section 21^E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These forward-looking statements reflect numerous assumptions and involve a number of risks and uncertainties as disclosed by the Company from time to time in its filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Actual results may vary materially.

The Compagnie Generale de Geophysique group is a global participant in the oilfield services industry, providing a wide range of seismic data acquisition, processing and geoscience services and software to clients in the oil and gas exploration and production business. It is also a global manufacturer of geophysical equipment.

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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.

Date: January 5th, 2005

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