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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 December 2008 CGG-Veritas

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Sercel Acquires Quest Geo

Paris, December 15, 2008

CGGVeritas (ISIN: 0000120164 NYSE: CGV) announced today that its subsidiary Sercel has entered into a private transaction to purchase all existing shares in Quest Geo Solutions Limited (Quest), a UK-based software company, for a cash consideration.

The acquisition continues to broaden Sercel s product offering and comes as a logical extension to the existing partnership between the two companies, whereby Sercel distributes Quest navigation software such as Triggerfish and Geometis. It also provides Sercel with increased development and support resources for its navigation software division and its newly released SeaPro Nav product.

About CGGVeritas

CGGVeritas (www.cggveritas.com) is a leading international pure-play geophysical company delivering a wide range of technologies, services and equipment through Sercel, to its broad base of customers mainly throughout the global oil and gas industry. CGGVeritas is listed on the Euronext Paris SA (ISIN: 0000120164) and the New York Stock Exchange (in the form of American Depositary Shares, NYSE: CGV).

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Compagnie Générale de Géophysique Veritas has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized. Date: December 15, 2008

By /s/ Gerard CHAMBOVET Gerard CHAMBOVET Senior EVP QHSE, Career Development & training, Communication and Audit

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