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Re: **GCE Covered Bonds**  
**Series 1 Covered Bonds due 17 September 2010 - EUR 1,000,000,000, Fixed Rate**  
**€ 25billion Covered Bond Programme**

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Yours faithfully,

Frederic Lelieur -  
 Analyst

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