

PRESS RELEASE

EDISON CLOSES THE FIRST QUARTER SHOWING STRONG GROWTH: REVENUES OF 2.1 BILLION EUROS (+17%), EBITDA AT 252 MILLION EUROS (+35%) AND PROFIT OF 98 MILLION EUROS

The company has increased its forecast for 2021 EBITDA to a range of 710 e 770 million euros.

Milan, May 12, 2021 - Edison's Board of Directors met yesterday and examined the Quarterly Report at March 31, 2021, which closed with a solid growth in all items of the financial statements as compared with the same period of 2020.

Revenues grew in double figures (+17% to 2.1 billion euros), driven mainly by the increase in prices and sales volumes. The rise in **EBITDA** is even more significant, recording **growth of 34.8%** during the period, to 252 million euros, mainly thanks to the contribution of Electric Power Operations, which benefited from the increased generation of energy from renewables, the recovery of thermoelectric production and the good performance of the production portfolio optimization. The contribution made to the Business Segment by both sales to residential customers and the energy and environmental services business was also positive. Gas activities performance remained almost stable.

The group ended **Q1 2021 posting a profit: 98 million euros as compared to the loss of 10 million euros** in Q1 2020 as a result of the trend described above and less net expenses linked to the E&P business that has now been disposed of. Net income from Continuing Operations¹ has more than doubled to 98 million euros from 46 million euros in Q1 2020.

Net financial debt at March 31, 2021 stood at 545 million euros, from 513 million euros at December 31, 2020 and included the purchase of 70% of E2i Energie Speciali, the leading operator in the wind power sector in Italy, already fully consolidated, and the sale of the E&P business in Norway.

¹ In accordance with IFRS 5, the economic items that contribute to the profit from continuing operations: (i) exclude the contribution of the E&P activities sold in December 2020 to Energean, which have been classified as Discontinued Operations until the disposal; (ii) include the contribution of E&P activities in Norway, until disposal in 2021, and in Algeria, which were retrospectively reconsolidated as from January 1, 2020. The 2020 figures have been restated accordingly for comparative purposes.

EDISON GROUP HIGHLIGHTS¹

<i>in millions of euros</i>	3 months 2021	3 months 2020
Sales revenues	2,131	1,821
EBITDA	252	187
EBIT	144	112
Net profit from continuing operations	98	46
Group interest in profit (loss)	98	(10)

Group performance at March 31, 2021

During the first quarter of 2021, despite the continued critical issues linked to the impact of Covid-19 pandemic, which had first been seen in March 2020, demand for electricity and gas has recovered, benefiting from less restrictive economic measures and a harsher winter than that experienced in the same period of last year.

More specifically, Q1 2021 booked a **recovery in electricity demand, which came in at 78.6 TWh, up 2.2%** on the same period of 2020. Demand was satisfied by thermoelectric production, which, as compared with Q1 2020, remained essentially stable at 44.4 TWh (-1.3%), followed by hydroelectric, which recorded a more significant rise (+16% to 10.5 TWh) and wind power generation (+7.4% to 6.2 TWh). On the whole, national production met roughly 85% of total electricity demand, accompanied by an increase in foreign imports (+6.1% to 12.0 TWh). With respect to prices, the **Single National Price (PUN) returned to pre-Covid-19 levels, averaging out at 59.3 euros/MWh, up 49.8%** on the 39.6 euros/MWh of Q1 2020.

The period also saw a return to growth in gas consumption, which booked +5.7%, coming in at 25.2 billion cubic meters. Demand rose in all segments, starting with residential (+7.6% to 13.7 billion cubic meters), supported in particular by a harsher climate than that seen in Q1 2020, followed by industrial demand (+4.2% to 4.7 billion cubic meters) and thermoelectric fuel use (+3% to 6.4 billion cubic meters). On the price side, **spot gas in Italy in the first quarter of 2021 averaged 19.8 cents per cubic meter, up 65.3%** compared to the reference quarter of 2020. The recovery of listings is due to the combined effect of lesser availability of LNG on the European market and greater consumption as a result, as mentioned, of the colder temperatures. Oil prices also rose which, in the first quarter of 2021, averaged 61 dollars per barrel, an increase of 19.8% compared to the same period of 2020.

In this context, **Edison's revenues for the first quarter of the year rose by 17%, coming in at 2,131 million euros** as compared with the same period of 2020, above all thanks to the increase in sales prices, which benefited from the improved outlook. A positive contribution was made by both business segments with

¹ See note on page 1.

revenues of **Electric Power Operations** rising by 4.2% to 1,014 million euros, as compared with 973 million euros in Q1 2020, and with revenues of **Gas Operations and E&P** rising by 20.7% to 1,267 million euros as compared with 1,050 million euros in the first quarter of 2020, driven by higher sales volumes for industrial use.

During the first quarter of 2021, Edison's EBITDA grew by 34.8%, up to 252 million euros from the 187 million euros of the same period in 2020. Such result was driven by **Electric Power Operations, which jumped 61.7% up to 186 million euros** (115 million euros in Q1 2020), thanks to the increase in renewable generation (+12%) - wind power in particular -, the recovery of thermoelectric production, which had suffered from maintenance downtime at two plants last year, and good performance in terms of production portfolio optimisation. The contribution to the Business Segment by both sales to residential customers (electricity and added value service contracts) and the energy and environmental service business was also positive. EBITDA of **Gas Operations and E&P** came to 88 million euros, down 9 million euros on Q1 2020, mainly due to the lesser contribution made to profits by the E&P business not sold off.

EBIT came to 144 million euros (+28.6% on the 112 million euros of the same period of 2020). The result was mainly impacted by depreciation and amortization for 89 million euros and the net change in fair value in relation to hedges on commodities and exchange negative for 18 million euros.

The Edison Group closed the first quarter of the year with profit of 98 million euros, compared to a net loss of 10 million euros in the same period of 2020, as a consequence of the above-described performance and lesser net expense linked to the E&P business that has now been disposed of. Net profit from continuing operations has more than doubled to 98 million euros from 46 million euros in Q1 2020.

Net financial debt at March 31, 2021 stood at 545 million euros, up from 513 million euros at December 31, 2020. This figure reflects the purchase of 70% of E2i Energie Speciali, reference operator in the wind power business segment, which Edison already consolidated into its financial statements, and the sale of the E&P business in Norway. Despite the uncertain scenario, during the first quarter of the year, the company pursued its investment plan, with a focus on wind power, energy efficiency and the thermoelectric segment for the construction of two next-generation combined cycle gas plants.

The clear improvement in Edison's industrial risk profile is the main reason why rating agencies Standard&Poor's and Moody's have respectively raised the company's outlook from stable to positive and the rating from Baa3/positive to Baa2/negative. More specifically, S&P expects Edison's industrial business to be gradually supported by the growth of renewable energies and to benefit from more stable revenues. Moody's has also rewarded the growth of profits and cash flows. Thanks to a solid economic and financial structure, Edison is in the best possible position to support its development plans, in line with energy transition goals.

Outlook

Edison has increased its forecast for 2021 EBITDA to a range of 710 e 770 million euros.

Main events during first quarter of 2021

January 11, 2021 - Tenaris, Edison and Snam signed a letter of intent to begin a project for the decarbonisation of Tenaris' steel mill in Dalmine by introducing green hydrogen in certain production



processes. The three companies will collaborate to identify and develop the best solutions for production, distribution and use of green hydrogen at Tenaris' Dalmine site, contributing with their expertise to invest in the best available technologies.

January 22, 2021 - Edison announced that rating agency Standard&Poor's had raised the company's outlook from stable to positive and confirmed its BBB long-term rating, in light of the significant progress made by the company in terms of business risk. Standard&Poor's believes that Edison's divestment of its hydrocarbon exploration and production assets through the agreement for the sale of its Norwegian operations with Sval Energi and the completed sale to Energean has helped reduce its business risk.

February 16, 2021 - Edison acquired 70% of E2i Energie Speciali following an agreement with F2i Fondi Italiani for Infrastructures signed on January 13th, thus terminating the partnership started in 2014. With this transaction, Edison confirms its position as the second largest wind operator in Italy with a renewable installed capacity of 1 GW (hydroelectric activities excluded).

March 25, 2021 - Edison announced the closing of the agreement signed with Sval Energi on December 30, 2020 to sell 100% of Edison Norge AS. This transaction takes Edison out of the hydrocarbon exploration and production industry in Norway.

Significant events after March 31, 2021

April 15, 2021 - Edison acquired 100% of Hydro Dynamics in Valle d'Aosta, which owns seven mini-hydro plants, thereby strengthening its presence in the Region. The acquired plants are located along the rivers of Dora Baltea for a total installed capacity of 4.1 MW and annual production in the region of 12.2 GWh. This transaction takes Edison's hydroelectric fleet up to one hundred and four hydroelectric plants, of which sixty-one are mini-hydro, for a total renewable capacity, including wind and photovoltaic, in excess of 2,000 MW.

April 19, 2021 - Edison reported that rating agency Moody's Investors Service had raised the rating of Edison Spa from Baa3 to Baa2. The rise in Edison's rating reflects the improvement in the Group's risk profile following the sale of virtually all its hydrocarbon exploration and production business between 2020 and 2021. It also takes into account the positive trend in income growth and stronger cash flow generation in respect of the increased electricity generation capacity and better performance of the gas business. Moody's expects Edison to maintain solid financial metrics, however, it assigns it a negative outlook, in line with that of EDF, which supports its credit rating.

April 27-28, 2021 - On April 27, the resolution to reduce the share capital represented by ordinary shares (for € 640,883,421), passed by the Extraordinary Shareholders Meeting on March 31, 2021, became effective. This resulted in the cancellation, in the ratio of 0.12167 share for each ordinary share held. The transaction was recorded directly by the intermediaries participating in the Monte Titoli system on accounts of shareholders on May 10, 2021 (record date May 07, 2021).

As a result of the aforementioned capital reduction, the voluntary conversion (whose exercise period ended on March 31, 2021) of no. 50,128 savings shares in an equal number of ordinary shares was also executed. The related ordinary shares will be made available to those entitled on May 14, 2021, as resolved by the aforementioned shareholders' meeting of March 31, 2021, excluded from the reduction of the capital represented by ordinary shares. As a result of the reduction in the capital represented by ordinary shares and

the voluntary conversion of the aforementioned savings shares, Edison share capital is now equal to 4,736,117,250 euros, represented by no. 4,626,557,357 ordinary shares and n. 109,559,893 savings shares.

April 29, 2021 - Edison announced the establishment of EOS (Edison Orizzonte Sociale) Foundation, the corporate foundation whereby the company consolidates its social commitment by contributing its people and skills towards the 2030 Agenda goals and, in particular, those focusing on quality education (SDG4), social inclusion and reduction of inequalities (SDG10) and promotion of sustainable communities where cultural and natural heritage are essential elements of identity and development (SDG11).

April 30, 2021 - Edison completed its sale to 2i Rete Gas of 100% of Infrastrutture Distribuzione Gas (IDG) for 150 million euros, in execution of the agreement signed on January 13, 2021. The transaction comes as part of the company's strategy which, in line with the country's ecological transition goals and with the RRP, aims to develop new generation renewable sources and low carbon sources, sustainable mobility, energy efficiency and services with added value for end customers. This strategy goes hand-in-hand with the divestment of non-core businesses, such as gas distribution.

Notice of the Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting

The Board of Directors resolved to authorize the realignment of the tax values to the book values of the goodwill and of some Edison SpA's "hydro" and "thermo" assets identified as significant, formalizing the realignment option on filing the tax returns to be presented in the year 2021 for a value total of Euro 1,686,831 thousand ("Edison Realignment Value"). Consequently, it has decided to call the shareholders' meeting of Edison SpA for June 24 at 11.00 to restrict, as required by the tax regulations, a portion of the share capital equal to the amount of Edison SpA's Realignment Value, net of the substitute tax to be paid, and therefore for euro 1,572 million.

The Board also examined the data relating to the realignment of the tax values of some subsidiaries.

Documentation

The Quarterly Report at March 31, 2021 of the Edison Group, approved yesterday by the Board of Directors of Edison Spa, will be available to the public from May 14, 2021 at the company's office, on the Edison Spa website (<http://www.edison.it/it/bilanci-e-documenti-correlati>), and on the authorized electronic storage site "eMarket STORAGE" (www.emarketstorage.com).

The documentation relating to the Shareholders' Meeting will be made available with the publication of the relevant notice of meeting.

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The “Dirigenti Preposti alla redazione dei documenti contabili societari” of Edison Spa, Didier Calvez and Roberto Buccelli, certify that – pursuant to art. 154-bis, paragraph 2 of the TUF (Italian Legislative Decree No. 58/1998) – the accounting disclosures in this press release are consistent with the records, ledgers and accounting entries. The Quarterly Report at March 31, 2021 is not audited.

This press release and, in particular, the section entitled “Outlook”, contain forward-looking statements. Such statements are based on the Group’s current forecasts and projections in relation to future events and are, by their very nature, subject to intrinsic risk and uncertainty. Actual results could differ materially from the forecasts referenced in these statements due to many different factors, including the continued volatility and deterioration of capital and financial markets, fluctuations in the prices of raw materials, changes in macroeconomic conditions and in economic growth and other changes in business conditions, changes in legislation, including regulations, and in the institutional context (both in Italy and abroad) and many other factors, most of which are beyond the Group’s control.

Abridged consolidated economic-equity statements are attached.

Material information pursuant to Consob resolution No. 11971 of May 14, 1999, as amended.

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

(in millions of euros)	1 st quarter 2021	1 st quarter 2020 (*)
Sales revenues	2,131	1,821
Other revenues and income	34	19
Total net revenues	2,165	1,840
Commodity and logistic costs (-)	(1,677)	(1,420)
Other costs and services used (-)	(131)	(127)
Labor costs (-)	(83)	(79)
Receivables (writedowns) / reversals	(3)	(7)
Other costs (-)	(19)	(20)
EBITDA	252	187
Net change in fair value of derivatives (commodity and exchange rate risk)	(18)	16
Depreciation and amortization (-)	(89)	(90)
(Writedowns) and reversals	-	-
Other income (expense) non Energy activities	(1)	(1)
EBIT	144	112
Net financial income (expense) on debt	(3)	(8)
Other net financial income (expense)	(4)	(28)
Net financial income (expense) on assigned trade receivables without recourse	(4)	(3)
Income from (Expense on) equity investments	1	-
Profit (Loss) before taxes	134	73
Income taxes	(36)	(27)
Profit (Loss) from continuing operations	98	46
Profit (Loss) from discontinued operations	-	(52)
Profit (Loss)	98	(6)
Broken down as follows:		
Minority interest in profit (loss)	-	4
Group interest in profit (loss)	98	(10)

(*) The amounts of 1st quarter 2020 were restated pursuant to IFRS 5.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

	03.31.2021	12.31.2020
(in millions of euros)		
ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	3,413	3,447
Intangible assets	275	265
Goodwill	2,174	2,174
Investments in companies valued by the equity method	135	123
Other non-current financial assets	92	80
Deferred-tax assets	190	189
Non-current tax receivables	2	2
Other non-current assets	166	60
Fair value	331	201
Assets for financial leasing	3	2
Total non-current assets	6,781	6,543
Inventories	85	113
Trade receivables	1,148	1,053
Current tax receivables	14	16
Other current assets	379	359
Fair value	499	428
Current financial assets	5	7
Cash and cash equivalents	381	313
Total current assets	2,511	2,289
Assets held for sale	232	551
Total assets	9,524	9,383
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Share capital (*)	4,736	5,377
Reserves and retained earnings (loss carryforward)	453	(58)
Reserve for other components of comprehensive income	104	11
Group interest in profit (loss)	98	19
Total shareholders' equity attributable to Parent Company shareholders	5,391	5,349
Shareholders' equity attributable to minority shareholders	15	131
Total shareholders' equity	5,406	5,480
Employee benefits	37	37
Provisions for decommissioning and remediation of industrial sites	174	172
Provisions for risks and charges	263	228
Provisions for risks and charges for non Energy activities	283	299
Deferred-tax liabilities	122	92
Other non-current liabilities	5	5
Fair value	288	187
Non-current financial debt	584	623
Total non-current liabilities	1,756	1,643
Trade payables	1,294	1,256
Current tax payables	97	53
Other current liabilities	166	195
Fair value	399	425
Current financial debt	344	216
Total current liabilities	2,300	2,145
Liabilities held for sale	62	115
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	9,524	9,383

(*) The amount at March 31, 2021 takes into account the effects of the resolution to reduce the share capital, taken by the Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting of March 31, 2021 and effective from a legal point of view starting from April 27, 2021.

CHANGES IN CONSOLIDATED SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

(in millions of euros)	Share capital	Reserves and retained earnings (loss carry-forward)	Reserve for other components of comprehensive income	Group interest in profit (loss)	Total shareholders' equity attributable to Parent Company shareholders	Shareholders' equity attributable to minority shareholders	Total shareholders' Equity
Balance at December 31, 2020	5,377	(58)	11	19	5,349	131	5,480
Appropriation of the previous year's profit (loss)	-	19	-	(19)	-	-	-
Dividends and reserves distributed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Change in the scope of consolidation (*)	-	(161)	-	-	(161)	(115)	(276)
Reduction of the share capital to cover loss carry-forward (**)	(641)	641	-	-	-	-	-
Other changes	-	12	-	-	12	(1)	11
Total comprehensive profit (loss)	-	-	93	98	191	-	191
of which:							
- Change in comprehensive income	-	-	93	-	93	-	93
- Profit (loss) at March 31, 2021	-	-	-	98	98	-	98
Balance at March 31, 2021	4,736	453	104	98	5,391	15	5,406

(*) The item Change in the scope of consolidation refers to the purchase of 70% of E2i Energie Speciali, already consolidated line-by-line;

(**) The item Reduction of the share capital to cover loss carry-forward takes into account the effects of the resolution to reduce the share capital, taken by the Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting of March 31, 2021 and effective from a legal point of view starting from April 27, 2021.