

ENEL: NEWLY ESTABLISHED ENELFACTOR IS TO PROVIDE FACTORING FOR THE GROUP

New company will benefit from experience of Meliorbanca which has 10% stake

<u>Rome, June 7, 2000</u> – Enel has incorporated a new company, Enelfactor, to operate in the captive factoring sector, serving the suppliers of Group companies.

The activities of the newly formed company, which is 90% owned by Enel and 10% owned by Meliorbanca, will consist of the factoring of Enel's trade payables with the aim of evening out and rationalizing cash flows, and simplifying the management of trade payables, whilst paying suppliers and at the same time offering them a valid financial service.

Enelfactor will benefit from the experience and the organization of Sispa (Meliorbanca Group) as regards organization, administration and information technology, thus obtaining economies in the management of supplier accounts and at the same time immediately offering its customers a high quality factoring service.

The total value of invoices paid by Enel (excluding electricity and fuel supplies) amounts to around ITL 9,500 billion, with over 70,000 suppliers and more than 1 million invoices.

Fulvio Conti, Enel's Head of Administration, Finance and Management Control, has been appointed Chairman of the new company, whilst the Managing Director is Claudio Machetti, Enel's Director of Finance.