



Equatorial Energia S.A.
Publicly-held Company
Corporate Taxpayer's ID (CNPJ/MF): 03.220.438/0001-73

NOTICE TO THE MARKET

Equatorial Energia S.A. ("Equatorial" or "Company") informs its shareholders and the public in general that, on January 09, 2010, Geramar I, one of the two Geranorte Project powerplants, had the start of its Commercial Operation authorized by ANEEL (Brazilian Electric Energy Regulatory Agency).

Thus, Geranorte is entitled to receive the annual fixed revenue referring to one of the plants (R\$68.1 million, 2007 figures that should be adjusted by IPCA inflation index), according to the Y-3 energy auction held in 2007.

Geranorte is the company responsible for implementing and operating two thermoelectric plants, in the state of Maranhão, with a joint installed capacity of 330 MW, which will provide energy for the National Interconnected System.

The consortium that retains control of Geranorte comprises Equatorial Energia S.A. (25%), Fundo de Investimentos em Participações Brasil Energia (25%) and GNP S.A. ("GNP") (50%). GNP S.A., in turn, comprises Servtec Investimentos e Participações Ltda. (50%) and Companhia Ligna de Investimentos (50%).

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