



Equatorial Energia S/A
Publicly-Held Company
Corporate Taxpayer's ID (CNPJ/MF): 03.220.438/0001-73
Company Registry ID (NIRE): 2130000938-8

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON EQUITY

We hereby inform our shareholders that the Board of Directors Meeting held on December 23, 2009 approved the payment of interest on equity ("IoE"). The IoE payment date shall be determined subsequently, when the payment of dividends for the year ended December 31, 2009, is resolved; said payment will not be subject to monetary restatement or any other remuneration.

Amount of Interest on Equity: Holders of Company shares on **December 28, 2009**, will be paid the total gross amount of Seven million, Four hundred and eleven thousand and eight hundred and twelve *reais*, and ten *centavos* (R\$ 7,411,812.10) as interest on equity, corresponding to R\$0.07 per share.

The Company's shares will be traded ex-IoE on **December 29, 2009**.

Taxation: Interest on equity will be subject to withholding income tax.

Means and Location of Payment: Shareholders entitled to dividends and interest on equity, who have already provided their bank account details to Banco Itaú S/A will have their payment credited to said bank account.

Shareholders whose registration details with Banco Itaú S/A are out of date or do not contain their individual or corporate taxpayer's ID (CPF and CNPJ, respectively) or bank account credit option will be credited as of the third business day following the updating of their registration details by presenting the following documents at any branch of Banco Itaú S/A or delivering same by mail to the Unidade de Ações e Debêntures, Avenida Engenheiro Armando de Arruda Pereira, 707 – 9º andar Bairro Jabaquara – SP – CEP 04344-902:

1. Individuals: Individual Taxpayer's ID (CPF), Identity Card (RG) and up-to-date proof of address;
2. Corporate Persons: Corporate Taxpayer's ID (CNPJ), Minutes, Bylaws / Articles of Incorporation and respective amendments thereto and up-to-date proof of address (2 months).

Additional information may be obtained from the Company's Investor Relations Office, located at Avenida Borges de Medeiros, nº 633, Offices Shopping Leblon, sl 708, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, ZIP Code 22430-041, Phone: +5521 3206 6635; Fax: +5521 3206 6601.

Rio de Janeiro, December 23, 2009

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