



## **Equatorial Energia S.A.**

Publicly held Company  
CNPJ / MF nº 03.220.438/0001-73

### **NOTICE TO THE MARKET**

Equatorial Energia S.A. ("Company"), pursuant article 12 of CVM Instruction 358, from January 3, 2002, and as required today, informs the market that:

BlackRock, Inc. ("BlackRock"), on behalf of some of its clients, as investment administrator, acquired common shares issued by the Company, and on August 11, 2016, its holdings reached, in aggregate, 9,935,454 common shares, representing approximately 5.00% of the total common shares issued by the Company and 446,600 derivative financial instruments referenced to shares with financial settlement, representing approximately 0.22% of the total common shares issued by the Company

In its request, BlackRock also states that:

- (i) BlackRock is headquartered at 55 East 52nd Street, New York City, New York 10022-0002, USA;
- (ii) The purpose of the above shareholdings is strictly for investment, not aiming a change control or the Company's management structure; and,
- (iii) No agreement or contract was signed, by BlackRock, regulating the exercise of voting rights or the sale and purchase of securities issued by the Company.

Rio de Janeiro, August 12, 2016

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