



COMPANHIA PARANAENSE DE ENERGIA - COPEL
Corporate Taxpayer's ID (CNPJ/MF): 76.483.817/0001-20
Publicly Held Company
CVM Registration: 1431-1
SEC Registration (CUSIP) 20441B407 – Class B Preferred Shares
SEC Registration (CUSIP) 20441B308 – Common Shares
LATIBEX Registration 29922 – Class B Preferred Shares

NOTICE TO THE MARKET

Companhia Paranaense de Energia – COPEL, a company that generates, transmits and distributes power, with shares listed on the BM&FBOVESPA (CPLE3, CPLE5, CPLE6), NYSE (ELP) and LATIBEX (XCOP), in compliance with Article 12 of CVM Instruction 358/02, hereby informs its shareholders and the market in general that it has received a correspondence from Brandes Investment Partners, L.P., (transcribed below) stating, In the capacity of investment adviser, the information that reduced its participation, in aggregate form, due to the closing of an asset management agreement, that it now holds a total of 7,061,187 common shares (CLPE3) representing approximately 4.869% of all the common shares issued by COPEL.

Curitiba, March 02, 2017

Luiz Eduardo da Veiga Sebastiani
Chief Financial and Investor Relations Officer



San Diego, California, February 28, 2017

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**Attn. Mr. Luiz Eduardo da Veiga Sebastiani
Chief Financial and Investor Relations Officer**

Rua Coronel Dulcídio, 800 – Batel
Curitiba, Paraná

By e-mail: ri@copel.com

Subject: CVM Instruction 358 Communication – Reduction of Relevant Interest of Investors in CPLE3 Shares of Companhia Paranaense de Energia – Copel (“COPEL”)

Dear Sirs:

- 1 Brandes Investment Partners, L.P (“Brandes”) is an investment advisory firm with federal accreditation in the United States of America.
- 2 Brandes is an investment advisor to several clients (“Clients”), particularly U.S. institutional investors.
- 3 Clients give Brandes a discretionary mandate regarding the investment and divestment of assets in the portfolios managed by it. These assets are registered in the name of each Client or a person designate by him/her and are not formally held by Brandes at any time.
- 4 Having provided this information about our organization and the structure of our relationship with our clients, we refer to Instruction 358, issued by the Brazilian Securities and Exchange Commission on January 3, 2002 (as amended, “CVM Instruction 358”).
- 5 In compliance with the disclosure requirements under article 12 of CVM Instruction 358, we hereby inform you that, since **February 27, 2017**, the interest held by the Clients, on a consolidated basis, has declined to 7,061,187 CPLE3 shares. The reduction was not due to the sale of shares, but to the end of the asset management agreement covering said shares.
- 6 The information required by article 12 of CVM Instruction 358 is provided below:
 - (i) Identification of Brandes: Brandes is headquartered at 11988 El Camino Real, Suite 600, San Diego, CA 92130, USA;

- (ii) Purpose: None of the Clients aims to change COPEL's control composition or administrative structure;
- (iii) Consolidated Position: The one presented in paragraph 5 above;
- (iv) Other COPEL Securities: To the best of our knowledge, the Clients do not have any other securities or derivative financial instruments referenced to COPEL shares. However, we believe that, even if they held them, these could not be added to their share of the consolidated position reported herein because it is solely processed by our discretionary management;
- (v) Agreement Governing Voting Rights: In addition to the investment advisory agreement that we enter into with each Client for the purpose of managing their assets and which, as a rule, allows us to exercise the voting rights granted by the shares that make up the Client's portfolio, there is no agreement or contract between Brandes and part of or all the Clients who hold the consolidated interest reported herein governing any joint action or similar agreement on the exercise of voting rights or the purchase and sale of COPEL securities.

Please confirm whether you have duly published a notice to the market.

If you need any clarification or information on this notice to the market, please contact Ian Rose at 1 858 853 3251 or via e-mail (ian.rose@brandes.com).

We thank you in advance for your time.

Sincerely,

Brandes Investment Partners, L.P

Name: Adam Stutz

Position: Compliance Analyst on Matters of Regulatory Registration and Code of Ethics