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COPEL'S POWER MARKET

Total power consumption billed by Copel in the first half of 2006 totaled 9,347 GWh, a 0.6% drop when compared to the same period of the previous year.

Residential consumption, which accounts for 25.6% of Copel's market, grew by 2.6% in the first six-month period of 2006. Such growth has resulted mostly from higher sales of electronics, following credit expansion and the increase in the number of billed customers in the period. This result was negatively affected by the average lower temperatures registered in the first half of 2006, which reduced electric power consumption.

Commercial consumption, which accounts for 18.3% of Copel's market, recorded the best performance among major consumption categories, with a 4.1% growth. Such expansion resulted from the favorable conditions of the tertiary sector, associated with the increase in the number of customers (1.8% over June 2005).

The 2.4% growth in rural consumption was mainly due to an extended drought, which demanded more irrigation.

Consumption by the captive industrial segment dropped by 10.3%, due, mostly, to the transfer of free customers from Copel Distribuição to Copel Geração in April 2005. However, Copel's total industrial consumption, when comprising free customers, recorded a 6.0% drop due to the decrease in the agrobusiness activity, aggravated by the drought and resulting in the poor harvest and by the US Dollar devaluation against Real, which affected exports and the domestic economy.

CONSUMPTION (MWh) AND NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS PER CLASS

	JAN - JUN 2006					
	Number of customers			BILLED ENERGY (MWh)		
	June			Up the month		
	2006	2005	%	2006	2005	%
CAPTIVE						
RESIDENTIAL	2,597,694	2,532,626	2.6	2,392,297	2,332,549	2.6
INDUSTRIAL *	55,156	51,110	7.9	2,977,446	3,318,191	-10.3
COMMERCIAL	274,767	269,911	1.8	1,711,413	1,643,737	4.1
RURAL	327,049	327,973	-0.3	741,689	724,081	2.4
OTHER	42,479	41,172	3.2	917,231	886,521	3.5
FREE CUSTOMERS **	18	21	-14.3	606,535	493,902	22.8
TOTAL	3,297,163	3,222,813	2.3	9,346,611	9,398,981	-0.6

* COPEL Distribuição's free customers were transferred to COPEL Geração in April 2005

** Free customers supplied by Copel Geração



COPEL DISTRIBUIÇÃO'S GRID MARKET

Copel Distribuição's grid market (TUSD), comprising the captive market and all free customers within the Company's concession areas, increased by 3.0% in the first half of 2006.

GRID MARKET (MWh) AND NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS OF COPEL DISTRIBUIÇÃO

JAN - JUN 2006

	Number of consumers			BILLED ENERGY (MWh)		
	June			Up the month		
	2006	2005	%	2006	2005	%
CAPTIVE MARKET	3,297,145	3,222,792	2.3	8,740,076	8,905,079	-1.9
USE OF THE SYSTEM *	32	25	28.0	1,486,349	1,026,978	44.7
TOTAL GRID MARKET AT THE CONCESSION AREA (TUSD)	3,297,177	3,222,817	2.3	10,226,425	9,932,057	3.0

* All free customers in the State of Paraná connected to Copel's distribution network

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