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### **COPEL's electric Power market -1Q08**

In the first quarter of 2008, COPEL's total billed power consumption for the captive market posted an increase of 6.4% year-on-year, totaling 4,844 GWh. The total market, including supplies to free customers and to distributors in the State of Paraná, totaled 5,269 GWh.

This is mainly due to the following factors:

- (i) growth in average income and higher credit availability and their effect on residential, commercial and industrial segments;
- (ii) good scenario in the harvest due to high prices of commodities, increasing farmers' income;
- (iii) improvement in the industrial market resulting from the recovery in the harvest and from increased exports in some sectors; and
- (iv) creation of 52,000 formal jobs in the 1Q08 in the State of Paraná. In the last 12 months, the number of jobs increased by 7% or 132,000 new jobs.

The residential segment, which accounted for 27.8% of the captive market, grew 5.1%. Average consumption per residential customer was 164.1 kWh/month, 2.2% up over the same period last year. In March 2008, 2,733,727 residential clients were served (2.9% up on March 2007).

Industrial consumption represented 33.1% of COPEL's captive market, 8.9% up on the first quarter of 2007. The sectors that stood out were automotive vehicles, machines and equipments, petroleum refinery and alcohol production. In March 2008, 59,039 industrial costumers were billed, 2.5% up on March 2007.

The commercial segment, which represented 20.7% of COPEL's captive market, posted a 5.6% growth. This sector has benefitted from the increased income available and has expanded the number of units, including supermarkets and shopping malls. In March 2008, 288,031 costumers were billed (2.9% up on March 2007).

Rural power consumption grew 6.7%, accounting for 8.9% of COPEL's billed power market. Average rural power consumption went up 5.3% year-on-year, reaching 427.7 kWh/month, due to the recovery in the harvest. In March 2008, 334,324 rural costumers were billed, 1.3% up on March 2007.

Billed power consumption for free costumers served by COPEL decreased 13.1% due to the termination of contracts with some clients.

### Consumption per Segment

Segment	GWh		
	1Q2008	1Q2007	Ch. %
Residential	1,346	1,280	5.1
Industrial	1,603	1,472	8.9
Commercial	1,001	949	5.6
Rural	429	402	6.7
Other	465	452	2.7
<b>Total Captive</b>	<b>4,844</b>	<b>4,555</b>	<b>6.4</b>
Free Consumers – Copel Geração e Transmissão	304	350	(13.1)
<b>Total Supplied</b>	<b>5,148</b>	<b>4,905</b>	<b>5.0</b>
Supply to concessionaries in Paraná	121	115	4.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,269</b>	<b>5,020</b>	<b>5.0</b>

### Grid Market - TUSD

COPEL Distribuição's grid market (TUSD), comprising the captive market, supplies to concessionaires in the State of Paraná state and all the free customers within the Company's concession area, grew 7.7% in the first quarter of 2008.

	GWh		
	1Q2008	1Q2007	Ch. %
Grid market (TUSD)	5,839	5,422	7.7

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