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Leasing of UEG Araucária

UEG Araucária Ltda., a Copel subsidiary, renewed the leasing agreement of the Araucária Thermoelectric Plant with Petrobrás for a period of three (3) years, as of January 1, 2009. UEGA will receive fixed monthly leasing payments, plus a variable installment whenever electricity is dispatched. Concomitantly, Petrobrás entered into an agreement with Copel Geração e Transmissão for the provision of plant operational and maintenance services for the same period of the leasing agreement.

The 484.15 MW Araucária Thermoelectric Plant is located in the city of Araucária, in the State of Paraná.

The agreement may be totally or partially terminated if UEGA is successful in ANEEL's energy auctions.

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Sincerely,
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