



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 BlackRock, Inc. (transcribed below) stating, on behalf of some of its clients and in its capacity as an investment manager, that it now holds a total of 6,445,890 class B preferred shares representing approximately 5.03% of all the class B preferred shares issued by COPEL.

Curitiba, March 16, 2016

Luis Eduardo da Vega Sebastian
Chief Financial and Investor Relations Officer

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Companhia Paranaense de Energia – COPEL – Announcement of Acquisition of Relevant Interest

Dear Sirs,

- 1 BlackRock, Inc. ("**BlackRock**"), hereby informs you, on behalf of some of its clients and in its capacity as an investment manager, that it has acquired preferred shares and ADSs (as defined below) issued by Companhia Paranaense de Energia – COPEL ("**Company**"), as a result of which its combined interest on March 11, 2016 totaled 5,595,220 class B preferred shares and 850,670 American Depositary Shares ("**ADSs**"), representing
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class B preferred shares, totaling 6,445,890 class B preferred shares, corresponding to approximately 5.03% of all the class B preferred shares issued by the Company.

2 In compliance with Article 12 of Instruction 358 issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission of Brazil (“CVM”) on January 3, 2002, as amended, BlackRock hereby requests COPEL’s Investor Relations Officer to disclose the following information to the CVM and other competent bodies:

- (i) BlackRock is headquartered at 55 East 52nd Street Street, New York, New York 10022-0002, United States of America;
- (ii) the interest held by BlackRock reached a total of 5,595,220 class B preferred shares and 850,670 ADSs, representing class B preferred shares, totaling 6,445,890 class B preferred shares, corresponding to approximately 5.03% of all the class B preferred shares issued by the Company, as specified in item 1 above;
- (iii) the aforementioned shareholding interest is strictly for investment purposes and there is no intention of changing the Company’s shareholding control or management structure;
- (iv) BlackRock has not entered into any contracts or agreements regulating the exercise of voting rights or the purchase and sale of securities issued by the Company.

3 We remain at your disposal for any further information you may require.

Sincerely,

BlackRock, Inc.
Renata Cardoso
