



## **NOTICE TO THE MARKET**

### **Payment of Dividends**

BANRISUL - Banco do Estado do Rio Grande do Sul (Bovespa: BRSR3; BRSR5; BRSR6), financial institution that acts in the commercial, development and social areas of all segments of society in the state of Rio Grande do Sul, hereby informs the market that, in General Shareholders' Meeting of March 25, 2008, it was approved based on Bylaw the distribution of dividends on amount of R\$ 132,477,867.49 (one hundred thirty two million, four hundred seventy seven thousand, eight hundred sixty seven Reais and forty nine cents) of income for the fiscal years of 2007, amounting R\$ 0.32361600 per Common Share, R\$ 0.35597760 per Preferred Share Class A and R\$ 0.32361600 per Preferred Share Class B.

The credit of dividends will be calculated based on equity position of March 25, 2008 and the payment will be performed on April 23, 2008.

Porto Alegre, March 25, 2008.

(original signed for)  
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