

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS**INTEREST ON EQUITY PAYMENT RELATED TO THE 2nd QUARTER OF 2009**

We hereby inform the Shareholders, according to the decision made at the Board of Director's Meeting held on May 06, 2008, that we will carry out the payment of interest on equity related to the second quarter of 2009, in the amount of **R\$ 48,019,467.45** (forty eight million, nineteen thousand, four hundred and sixty seven Reais and forty five cents) which, after Income Tax withholding at source, results on net interest on equity of **R\$ 40,816,547.33** (forty million, eight hundred and sixteen thousand, five hundred and forty seven Reais and thirty three cents).

All shareholders registered with this company as owners or beneficial owners of these shares on June 05, 2009 will be entitled to these payments.

Initial Payment: June 26, 2009

Class / Type of Share	Interest on Equity's Gross Value, per Share	Income Tax Withholding at Source (15%)	Interest on Equity's Net Value, per Share
ON	R\$ 0.11741434	R\$ 0.1761215	R\$ 0.09980219
PNA	R\$ 0.11741434	R\$ 0.1761215	R\$ 0.09980219
PNB	R\$ 0.11741434	R\$ 0.1761215	R\$ 0.09980219

As stated in article 79 of the Company's Bylaws, in article 9 of Law no. 9,249/95 and in item V of the Instruction no. 209/96 of the Brazilian Securities and Exchange Commission (*Comissão de Valores Mobiliários – CVM*), the amount of Interest on Equity will be credited to the dividend referring to fiscal year 2009.

Income Tax:

The payments will be subject to Income Tax withholding at source, pursuant to the pertinent legislation, except for corporate shareholders with proof of immune or exempt condition, which should be produced until June 19, 2009 and delivered at the following address:

Banco do Estado do Rio Grande do Sul

Unidade Financeira – Gerência de Relações com Investidores e Mercado de Capitais

Rua Caldas Júnior, 108 – 7º Andar – Centro – Porto Alegre – RS – Brazil

CEP: 90018-900

Phone: 55 51 3215-3232

E-mail: ir@banrisul-ri.com.br

Forms of Payment:

The payments will be credited to the current accounts of the shareholders holding current accounts with BANRISUL. For the remaining shareholders, the payment will be carried out in any bank branch agency, upon identification. The holders of shares in custody will receive the interest on equity payments through the brokerage firm where they carry out the respective deposit.

Limitation Period:

Pursuant to the pertinent legislation, Law 6404 - art. 287, unclaimed interest on equity payments expire in three years, as from the date they were made available to the shareholder.

Porto Alegre, June 05, 2009.

Ricardo Richiniti Hingel
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BANCO DO ESTADO DO RIO GRANDE DO SUL S.A.