

USINAS SIDERÚRGICAS DE MINAS GERAIS S.A. - USIMINAS

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Publicly Traded Company

NOTICE TO THE MARKET

Usinas Siderúrgicas de Minas Gerais S.A. – USIMINAS, according to CVM Instruction no. 358/02, announces that it received on September 3rd, 2012 information from BlackRock Inc. in the following terms:

"1. BlackRock, Inc. ("BlackRock"), hereby, in the name of some of its clients, in the capacity of investment manager, informs that it has acquired class A preferred shares issued by Usinas Siderúrgicas de Minas Gerais S.A. – USIMINAS ("Usiminas"), and in August 29th, 2012, its equity interest reached a total of 25,431,378 class A preferred shares, representing, approximately, 5.00% of the class A preferred shares issued by Usiminas.

2. In order to comply with the provisions of Paragraph 4^o, Article 12 of Instruction no. 358 of Comissão de Valores Mobiliários ("CVM"), dated as of January 3rd, 2002, as amended, BlackRock hereby requests Usiminas' Investor Relations Officer the disclosure of the following information to CVM and to other relevant entities:

- (i) BlackRock's headquarters is located at 40 East 52nd Street, New York 10022-5911, United States of America;*
- (ii) The equity interest held by BlackRock reached a total of 25,431,378 class A preferred shares issued by Usiminas, as specified in item 1 above;*
- (iii) The purpose of the equity interest mentioned above is strictly for investment and is not aimed at changing Usiminas' controlling interest or its administrative structure;*
- (iv) BlackRock does not hold debentures convertible into shares issued by Usiminas; and*
- (v) BlackRock has not entered into any contracts or agreements that regulate voting rights or the purchase and sale of securities issued by Usiminas."*

Belo Horizonte, September 4th, 2012.

Ronald Seckelmann

Finance and Investors Relations Vice-President