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To the National Securities Market Commission

Re: Correction of the notice of significant event dated February 20, 2015 (registration number 218,811) in relation to the publication of the call notice for the General Shareholders' Meeting of Iberdrola, S.A. and documentation made available to the shareholders

Dear Sirs,

In connection with the notice of significant event (comunicación de hecho relevante) of Iberdrola, S.A. (the "Company") dated February 20, 2015 (registration number 218,811), which attached, in relation to the notice of the call for the Ordinary General Shareholders' Meeting, the proposed resolutions and the directors' reports with regard to the various items on the agenda, we inform you that a factual error has been detected in the proposed resolutions for items eight and nine referring, respectively, to the amendments of the *Bylaws* and of the *Regulations of the Shareholders' Meeting* and in the corresponding directors' reports. We are attaching again such documents having corrected the referred factual error.

Both proposed resolutions and the directors' reports, together with the remaining documentation related to the General Shareholders' Meeting, will be made available to the shareholders at the registered office and on the Company's corporate website, in the terms envisaged in the call notice.

This information is provided to you for the appropriate purposes.

Yours faithfully,

General Secretary and Secretary to the Board of Directors



ITEM EIGHT ON THE AGENDA

Amendments of the *By-Laws* in order to conform the text thereof to Law 31/2014, of 3 December, amending the Companies Act (*Ley de Sociedades de Capital*) to improve corporate governance, to reflect the status of IBERDROLA, S.A. as a holding company, to include other improvements in the area of corporate governance and of a technical nature, and to simplify the text thereof.

RESOLUTION

A.- Amendment of Title I (*The Company*, its Share Capital, and its Shareholders).

In order to reflect the status of IBERDROLA, S.A. as a holding company, to include other improvements in the area of corporate governance and of a technical nature, and to simplify the text thereof, it is hereby resolved:

- (a) to amend the heading of the current Title I of the *By-Laws*, which now becomes "*The Company, its Share Capital, and its Shareholders*";
- (b) to create a new Chapter III, entitled "*The Shareholders*" and to remove the current Chapter IV; and
- (c) to restate the articles making up such title, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"TITLE I. THE COMPANY, ITS SHARE CAPITAL, AND ITS SHAREHOLDERS

Chapter I. General Provisions

Article 1. Company Name

The name of the company is IBERDROLA, S.A. (the "Company").

Article 2. Applicable Legal Provisions and Corporate Governance System

- 1. The Company is governed by the legal provisions relating to listed companies and other applicable laws and regulations, as well as by its Corporate Governance System.
- 2. The Corporate Governance System is the Company's internal system of rules, configured in accordance with applicable law in the exercise of corporate autonomy supported thereby, and that applies to the entire group of companies controlled by the Company. It is intended to ensure through rule-making the best development of the corporate object of the Company, as an international business



- entity that operates in quite varied economic, legal, and social contexts, as well as the fulfilment of the corporate interest.
- 3. The Corporate Governance System is made up of these By-Laws, the Corporate Policies, the internal corporate governance rules, which include the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, the Regulations of the Board of Directors and those of its committees, and of the other internal codes and procedures approved by the competent decision-making bodies of the Company.
- 4. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting and the Board of Directors, within their respective purview, develop, apply, and interpret the rules making up the Corporate Governance System in order to ensure compliance at all times with the purposes thereof and, particularly, the fulfilment of the corporate interest.

Article 3. Corporate Interest and Ethical Principles

- 1. The Company pursues the fulfilment of the corporate interest, which is understood as the common interest of all shareholders of an independent company oriented towards the sustainable exploitation of its corporate object and the creation of long-term value for the shareholders' benefit, taking into account other stakeholders related to its business activity and to its institutional reality, and especially the legitimate interests of the various communities and territories in which the Company acts and those of its employees.
- 2. The Company aspires for its conduct and that of the persons connected therewith to conform and adhere not only to applicable law and its Corporate Governance System but also to ethical principles and generally accepted principles of social responsibility. The Board of Directors has for such purpose approved a Code of Ethics that includes this commitment under the By-Laws.

Article 4. Object of the Company

- 1. The Company's object is:
 - a) To carry out all manner of activities, works, and services inherent in or related to the business of production, transmission, switching, and distribution or supply of electric power or electricity by-products and applications thereof, and the raw material or energy needed for the generation thereof; energy, engineering, information-technology, telecommunications, and internet-related services; water treatment and distribution; the integral provision of urban and gas supply, as well as other gas storage, regasification, transportation, or distribution activities, which will be carried out indirectly through the ownership of shares or equity interests in other companies that will not engage in the supply of gas.

- b) The distribution, representation, and marketing of all manner of goods and services, products, articles, merchandise, software programs, industrial equipment and machinery, tools, utensils, spare parts, and accessories.
- c) The investigation, study, and planning of investment and corporate organisation projects, as well as the promotion, creation, and development of industrial, commercial, or service companies.
- d) The provision of services assisting or supporting companies and businesses in which it has an interest or which are within its corporate group, for which purpose it may provide appropriate guarantees and bonds in favour thereof.
- 2. The aforementioned activities may be carried out in Spain as well as abroad, and may be carried out, in whole or in part, either directly by the Company or through the ownership of shares or equity interests in other companies, subject in all cases and at all times to applicable legal provisions for each industry, especially the electricity industry.

Article 5. Duration

The duration of the Company is indefinite, its operations having commenced on the date of formalisation of its deed of incorporation.

Article 6. Registered Office

- 1. The registered office of the Company is in Bilbao (Biscay), at Plaza Euskadi número 5.
- 2. Such registered office may be transferred to another location within the same municipal area by resolution of the Board of Directors.

Article 7. The Iberdrola Group

- 1. The Company is configured as a listed holding company and is the controlling entity of a multinational group of companies (the "Group").
- 2. The corporate and governance structure of the Company is defined based on the following:
 - a) The Company has duties relating to the design of the Corporate Governance System and to the establishment, supervision, and implementation of the policies and strategies of the Group, of the basic guidelines for the management thereof, and of decisions on matters of strategic importance at the Group level.

- b) The country subholding companies, which are directly or indirectly subordinate to the Company, carry out the function of organisation and strategic coordination in those countries where the Board of Directors of the Company so decides.
 - These entities, which group together equity stakes in the business subholding companies in the various countries in which the Group operates, are also responsible for disseminating, implementing, and ensuring compliance with the policies, strategies, and general guidelines of the Group in each of the countries in which it operates, taking into account the characteristics and unique aspects of such countries.
- c) Finally, the business subholding companies of the Group are in charge of the day-to-day administration and effective management of each one of the Group's businesses within a country, as well as the day-to-day control thereof.

Article 8. Permanent Contact with Shareholders and Transparency

Permanent contact with its shareholders and ongoing attention to the transparency of corporate information and of relations with its shareholders and with the market generally, in accordance with the provisions of law and the Corporate Governance System, are primary objectives of the Company.

Article 9. Corporate Website

- 1. The Company maintains a corporate website, envisaged as an instrument for channelling its relations with shareholders and investors, which is intended to foster their involvement in corporate life.
- 2. Through the corporate website:
 - a) shareholders and investors are provided with the documents and information required by law and the Corporate Governance System and other information deemed appropriate, taking into account the provisions of the preceding section;
 - b) shareholders are provided with the means to exercise the rights to receive information and to participation in the General Shareholders' Meeting recognised by law and by the Corporate Governance System; and
 - c) full or summarised versions of the rules making up the Corporate Governance System are published.

Chapter II. Share Capital and Shares

Article 10. Share Capital

The share capital is 4,791,362,250 euros, represented by 6,388,483,000 ordinary shares having a nominal value of 0.75 euro each, belonging to a single class and series, which are fully subscribed and paid up.

Article 11. The Shares

- 1. The shares are represented in book entry form.
- 2. If shares have not been entirely paid up, this circumstance shall be reflected in the corresponding book entry.
- 3. Unpaid subscriptions must be paid at the time fixed by the Board of Directors, within a period of five years from the date of the resolution approving the capital increase. The form and other circumstances of the payment shall be governed by the provisions of the resolution approving the capital increase, which may provide for cash as well as non-cash contributions.

Chapter III. The Shareholders

Article 12. Shareholder Status

- 1. Each share of the Company confers upon its legitimate holder the status of shareholder, and vests such holder with the rights and obligations established by law and by the Corporate Governance System. In this regard, the Company shall acknowledge as a shareholder any party that appears entitled thereto as owner in the entries of the corresponding book-entry register.
- 2. The Company may, as legally allowed, access the information needed to fully identify its shareholders, including addresses and means of contact for communication with them.

Article 13. Involvement of the Shareholders

The Company shall foster continuous and appropriate information for its shareholders, permanent contact therewith, and their involvement in corporate life. For this purpose, the Board of Directors shall establish the channels for participation through which the Company will foster their involvement with appropriate guarantees and coordination mechanisms.

Article 14. The Shareholders and the Corporate Governance System

- 1. The ownership of shares entails consent to the Corporate Governance System and the duty to respect and comply with the legally adopted decisions of the governance bodies of the Company.
- 2. Shareholders must exercise their rights vis-à-vis the Company and the other shareholders, and must comply with their duties, acting with loyalty, in good faith, and transparently, within the framework of the corporate interest as the paramount interest ahead of the private interest of each shareholder and in accordance with the Corporate Governance System."

B.- Amendment of the current Chapter I of Title II, which now becomes the new Title II (*The General Shareholders' Meeting*).

In order to conform the text thereof to Law 31/2014 amending the Companies Act to improve corporate governance, to include other changes of a technical nature, and to simplify the text thereof, it is hereby resolved:

- (a) to convert the current Chapter I of Title II of the *By-Laws* into the new Title II, entitled "*The General Shareholders' Meeting*"; and
- (b) to restate the articles currently making up such chapter, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"TITLE II. THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING

Article 15. The General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. The shareholders, meeting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, shall decide, by the majorities required in each case and in accordance with law and the Corporate Governance System, on the matters within their power.
- 2. Resolutions that are duly adopted at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall bind all shareholders, including shareholders who are absent, dissenting, abstain from voting, or lack the right to vote, without prejudice to the rights they may have to challenge such resolutions.
- 3. The General Shareholders' Meeting is governed by the provisions of law, these By-Laws, the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, other applicable provisions of the Corporate Governance System, and other implementing rules approved by the Board of Directors within the scope of its powers.

Article 16. Participation of the Shareholders

The Board of Directors shall adopt appropriate measures to encourage maximum participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, including, if appropriate, the payment of attendance bonuses pursuant to a predefined and public policy.

Article 17. Powers of the Shareholders Acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall decide the matters assigned thereto by law, the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, or other rules of the Corporate Governance System, and particularly regarding the following:
 - a) The approval of the annual accounts, the allocation of profits or losses, and the approval of corporate management.
 - b) The appointment, re-election, and removal of directors, as well as the ratification of directors designated by interim appointment to fill vacancies.
 - *c)* The approval of the director remuneration policy.
 - d) The approval of the establishment of systems for remuneration of the Company's directors consisting of the delivery of shares or of rights therein or remuneration based on the value of the shares.
 - e) Relieving the directors from the prohibitions arising from the duty of loyalty, when authorisation is attributed by law to the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, as well as from the obligation not to compete with the Company.
 - *f)* The appointment, re-election, and removal of the auditors.
 - *g)* The amendment of these By-Laws.
 - *h)* An increase or reduction in share capital.
 - i) The delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to increase share capital, in which case it may also grant thereto the power to exclude or limit pre-emptive rights, upon the terms established by law.
 - j) The delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to carry out a capital increase already approved by the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting, within the periods set forth by law, indicating the date or dates of execution and establishing the conditions for the increase as to all matters not provided for by the shareholders. In this case, the Board of Directors

may make use of such delegation in whole or in part, or may refrain from using it, in view of market conditions or the condition of the Company itself, or of particularly relevant facts or circumstances that justify such decision, and shall report thereon to the shareholders at the first General Shareholders' Meeting held after the end of the period granted for the use of such delegation.

- *k)* The exclusion or limitation of pre-emptive rights.
- l) The authorisation for the derivative acquisition of the Company's own shares.
- m) The transformation, merger, split-off, or overall assignment of assets and liabilities, and the transfer of the registered office abroad.
- n) The dissolution of the Company and the appointment and removal of the liquidators.
- *o)* The approval of the final liquidating balance sheet.
- p) The issuance of debentures and other negotiable securities and the delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to issue them, as well as the power to exclude or limit pre-emptive rights, upon the terms established by law.
- q) The exercise of derivative liability actions against directors, auditors, and liquidators.
- r) The approval and amendment of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- s) The transfer to controlled entities of core activities that were previously carried out by the Company itself, even if it retains full ownership of such entities;
- t) The acquisition, transfer, or contribution of key assets from or to another company.
- u) The approval of transactions having an effect equivalent to liquidation of the Company.
- 2. The shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall also decide on any matter that the Board of Directors or the shareholders submit for their consideration, upon the terms and with the requirements established by law and the Corporate Governance System.

Article 18. Call to the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. The General Shareholders' Meeting must be formally called by the Board of Directors through an announcement published as much in advance as required by law.
- 2. The announcement of the call to meeting shall be disseminated through the following media, at a minimum:
 - a) The Official Gazette of the Commercial Registry (Boletín Oficial del Registro Mercantil) or one of the more widely circulated newspapers in Spain.
 - b) The website of the National Securities Market Commission (Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores).
 - c) The Company's corporate website.

Article 19. Shareholders' Right to Receive Information

- 1. From the date of publication of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting through and including the fifth day prior to the date set for the meeting to be held on first call, the shareholders may request in writing the information or clarifications that they deem are required, or ask the written questions that they deem relevant, regarding (i) the matters contained in the agenda for the meeting; (ii) information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Market Commission since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting, and (iii) the audit report.
- 2. During the course of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the shareholders may verbally request the information or clarifications that they deem appropriate regarding the matters set forth in the preceding section.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall be required to provide the information requested pursuant to the two preceding sections in the form and within the periods set forth in the law, in these By-Laws, and in the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, except in cases in which it is unnecessary for the protection of shareholder rights, there are objective reasons to believe that it might be used for ultra vires purposes, or that publication of the information might prejudice the Company or related companies. The information requested may not be denied if the request is supported by shareholders representing at least twenty-five per cent of the share capital.
- 4. The announcement of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting shall state the means whereby any shareholder may obtain from the Company, without

charge and on an immediate basis, the documents that must be submitted for the approval of the shareholders at such General Shareholders' Meeting, as well as, if applicable, the management report and the audit report.

5. The Company shall make available to its shareholders the information and documentation required by the provisions of law and the Corporate Governance System.

Article 20. Place of the Meeting

The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be held at the place indicated in the call to meeting within the municipal territory of Bilbao.

Article 21. Establishment of a Quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be validly established with the minimum quorum required by law, taking into account the matters appearing on the agenda.
- 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding section, shareholders representing two-thirds of subscribed share capital with voting rights must be in attendance at the first call to the General Shareholders' Meeting, and shareholders representing sixty per cent of such share capital must be in attendance at the second call, in order to adopt resolutions regarding a change in the object of the Company, transformation, total split-off, dissolution of the Company, and the amendment of this section 2.
- 3. The absence of shareholders occurring once a quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting has been established shall not affect the validity of the meeting.
- 4. If the attendance of shareholders representing a particular minimum percentage of share capital or the consent of specific interested shareholders is required pursuant to law or the Corporate Governance System in order to adopt a resolution regarding one or more items on the agenda, and such percentage is not reached or such shareholders are not present in person or by proxy, the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting shall limit themselves to deliberating and deciding on those items on the agenda that do not require such percentage of share capital or the consent of such shareholders.

Article 22. Right to Attend

1. The holders of at least one voting share may attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and take part in deliberations thereof, with the right to be heard and to vote.

- 2. The General Shareholders' Meeting may be attended by going to the place where the meeting is held or, if so indicated in the call to meeting, to other places provided for such purpose by the Company and that are connected with the principal meeting place by systems that allow recognition and identification of the parties attending, permanent communication among the attendees regardless of their location, and participation and voting, all in real time. Attendees at any of such places shall be considered to be attendees at the same individual meeting, which shall be deemed to have been held at the principal location thereof.
- 3. In order to exercise the right to attend, shareholders must cause the shares to be registered in their name in the corresponding book-entry register at least five days prior to the day on which the General Shareholders' Meeting is to be held.
- 4. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may authorise the attendance of officers, employees, and other persons related to the Company. The chair may also grant access to the media, to financial analysts, and to any other person the chair deems appropriate, as well as authorise the simultaneous or delayed broadcast thereof, although the shareholders acting thereat may revoke such authorisation.

Article 23. Right to Proxy Representation

- 1. All shareholders having the right to attend may be represented at the General Shareholders' Meeting by proxy through another person, whether or not such person is a shareholder, by complying with the requirements of law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. Proxies must be given in writing or by postal or electronic correspondence, in which case the provisions of article 27 below for the casting of absentee votes shall apply to the extent applicable.
- 3. Proxy and voting instructions of shareholders acting through brokers, representatives, or depositaries shall be governed by the provisions of law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 4. In cases of absence of identification of the proxy-holder, absence of express instructions for the exercise of voting rights, submission of items not included on the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting, or a conflict of interest affecting the proxy-holder, the rules established in this regard in the Corporate Governance System shall apply.
- 5. The chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation from either of them, shall be responsible for verifying the identity of the shareholders and their representatives, verifying the ownership and status of their rights, and

recognising the validity of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or the instrument evidencing attendance or representation by proxy.

Article 24. Presiding Committee, Chair of, and Secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. The Presiding Committee (Mesa) of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be made up of the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the other members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting. Without prejudice to other powers that may be assigned thereto by these By-Laws or the Corporate Governance System, the Presiding Committee shall assist the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting in carrying out the duties thereof.
- 2. The chairman of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, the vice-chair, shall act as chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting. If there are several vice-chairs, they shall act in the order set forth in article 42.6 below. In the absence of all of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall act as chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 3. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, the deputy secretary, shall act as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting. If there are several deputy secretaries, the order set forth in article 44.2 below shall apply. In the absence of all of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall act as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 25. List of Attendees

- 1. Prior to beginning with the agenda for the meeting, a list of attendees shall be prepared that sets forth the nature or representation of each attendee and the number of shares they own or represent by proxy.
- 2. Questions or claims arising with respect to preparation of the list of attendees and compliance with the requirements for a valid quorum at the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be resolved by the chair thereof.

Article 26. Deliberations and Voting

1. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall: direct the meeting; accept new proposed resolutions relating to matters on the agenda; organise the deliberations, granting the floor to shareholders who so request it and taking the floor away or refusing to grant it when the chair deems that a particular matter has been sufficiently debated, is not included in the agenda, or hinders the progress of the meeting; indicate the time and establish, pursuant to the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, the system or procedure for

voting; decide on the suspension or limitation of political rights, especially the voting rights attaching to shares pursuant to law and these By-Laws; approve the polling and vote counting system; proclaim the voting results; temporarily suspend or propose an extension of the General Shareholders' Meeting; close the meeting; and, in general, exercise all powers, including those of order and discipline, that are required to properly hold the proceedings.

- 2. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may entrust the management of the meeting to a director the chair deems appropriate, or to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, who shall carry out this duty on behalf of the chair, with the chair having the right to retake it at any time. In the event of temporary absence or supervening incapacity of the chair of or the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, the appropriate persons under sections 2 and 3 of article 24, respectively, shall assume the duties thereof.
- 3. Proposed resolutions shall be voted upon by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting pursuant to the provisions of the following articles and the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 27. Absentee Voting

- 1. Shareholders may cast their absentee vote on proposed resolutions relating to the items on the agenda of the call to meeting by complying with the requirements of law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. Shareholders that have cast their absentee vote shall be deemed present for purposes of the establishment of a quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 3. Absentee votes must be received by the Company before 24:00 on the day immediately prior to the day set for the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting upon first call or upon second call, as applicable.
- 4. The Board of Directors is authorised to develop the rules, means, and procedures for absentee voting, including applicable rules on priority and conflict.
 - Specifically, the Board of Directors may reduce the advance period set forth in section 3 above for receipt by the Company of absentee votes, and accept, and authorise the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the persons acting by delegation therefrom to accept, any absentee votes received after such period, to the extent permitted by the means available.
- 5. The chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation from either of them, shall be responsible for verifying and recognising the validity of the absentee

- votes cast in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Corporate Governance System and the rules established by the Board of Directors in implementation thereof.
- 6. Remote attendance at the General Shareholders' Meeting by means of data transmission and simultaneously and absentee electronic voting during the course of the General Shareholders' Meeting may be admitted if it is so established in the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, subject to the requirements set forth therein.

Article 28. Conflicts of Interest

- 1. A shareholder may not exercise the shareholder's right to vote at a General Shareholders' Meeting, either in person or by proxy, with respect to the adoption of a resolution to:
 - *a)* Relieve the shareholder of an obligation or grant the shareholder a right.
 - b) Provide the shareholder with any kind of financial assistance, including the provision of guarantees in favour thereof.
 - c) Release the shareholder, if a director, from obligations arising from the duty of loyalty established in accordance with the provisions of law.
- 2. The provisions of the preceding section shall also apply when the resolutions affect, in the case of an individual shareholder, the entities or companies controlled thereby, and in the case of corporate shareholders, the entities or companies belonging to their group (in the sense indicated in article 29.3 below), even if these latter companies or entities are not shareholders.
- 3. If the shareholder subject to any of the voting prohibitions above attends the General Shareholders' Meeting, such shareholder's shares shall be deducted from those in attendance for purposes of determining the number of shares upon which the majority needed for the adoption of the relevant resolutions shall be calculated.

Article 29. Approval of Resolutions

1. Except in cases in which the law or these By-Laws require a greater majority, the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall adopt resolutions by simple majority of the shareholders present in person or by proxy, with a resolution being deemed adopted when it receives more votes in favour than against. Each voting share that is represented in person or by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting shall give the right to one vote.

- 2. No shareholder may cast a number of votes greater than those corresponding to shares representing ten (10%) per cent of share capital, even if the number of shares held exceeds such percentage of the share capital. This limitation does not affect votes corresponding to shares with respect to which a shareholder is holding a proxy as a result of the provisions of article 23 above, provided, however, that with respect to the number of votes corresponding to the shares of each shareholder represented by proxy, the limitation set forth above shall apply.
- 3. The limitation set forth in the preceding section shall also apply to the maximum number of votes that may be collectively or individually cast by two or more shareholders that are entities or companies belonging to the same group. Such limitation shall also apply to the number of votes that may be cast collectively or individually by an individual and the shareholder entity, entities, or companies controlled by such individual. A group shall be deemed to exist under the circumstances provided by law, and also when a person controls one or more entities or companies.
- 4. Shares deprived of voting rights pursuant to the application of the preceding sections shall be deducted from the shares in attendance at the General Shareholders' Meeting for purposes of determining the number of shares upon which the majorities needed for the approval of resolutions by the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall be calculated."

<u>C.- Amendment of the current Chapter II of Title II, which now becomes</u> the new Title III (*Management of the Company*).

In order to conform the text thereof to Law 31/2014 amending the Companies Act (*Ley de Sociedades de Capital*) to improve corporate governance, to revise the regulation of the powers of the Board of Directors based on the status of IBERDROLA, S.A. as a holding company, and to include other improvements to corporate governance and of a technical nature, it is hereby resolved:

- (a) to convert the current Chapter II of Title II of the *By-Laws* into the new Title III, entitled "*Management of the Company*";
- (b) to convert the four sections of the current Chapter II of Title II of the *By-Laws* into the new Chapters I, II, III, and IV of the new Title III; and
- (c) to restate the articles currently making up the current Chapter II of Title II, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"TITLE III. MANAGEMENT OF THE COMPANY

Chapter I. General Provisions

Article 30. Management and Representation of the Company

- 1. The Company is managed and represented by the Board of Directors, its chairman, and, if applicable and if so approved by the Board of Directors, by an executive committee called the Executive Committee (Comisión Ejecutiva Delegada) and, also if so decided by the Board of Directors, by one or more chief executive officers (consejeros delegados).
- 2. Each of these bodies shall have the powers set forth in these By-Laws, the Regulations of the Board of Directors, and other applicable provisions of the Corporate Governance System, without prejudice to the provisions of law.

Chapter II. The Board of Directors.

Article 31. Regulation of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall be governed by the provisions set forth in the law, these By-Laws, the Regulations of the Board of Directors, and the other applicable provisions of the Corporate Governance System.

Article 32. Powers of the Board of Directors

- 1. The Board of Directors has the power to adopt resolutions regarding all matters not assigned by law or the Corporate Governance System to the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 2. Although the Board of Directors has the broadest powers and authority to manage and represent the Company, as a general rule of good governance, the Board of Directors shall focus its activities, pursuant to the Corporate Governance System, on the definition and supervision of the general guidelines to be followed by the Company and the Group, attending to the following matters, among others:
 - a) Establish, within legal limits, the policies, strategies, and guidelines of the Group, entrusting to the decision-making bodies and the management of the business subholding companies of the Group the duties of day-to-day administration and effective management of each of the businesses thereof.
 - b) Supervise the general development of the aforementioned policies, strategies, and guidelines by the country subholding companies and by the business subholding companies of the Group, establishing appropriate

mechanisms of coordination and exchange of information in the interest of the Company and of the companies belonging thereto.

- c) Decide on matters of strategic importance at the Group level.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall generally entrust to its chairman, to the chief executive officers, and to the senior officers the dissemination, coordination, and general implementation of the Group's management guidelines, acting in furtherance of the interests of each and every one of the companies belonging thereto.
- 4. The Board of Directors shall design, evaluate, and review the Corporate Governance System on an ongoing basis. It shall pay special attention to the approval of the Corporate Policies, which further develop the principles reflected in these By-Laws and in the other provisions of the Corporate Governance System and codify the guidelines that should govern the activities of the Company and its shareholders and the activities of the Group.
- 5. The Regulations of the Board of Directors shall specify the powers reserved to such body, which may not be entrusted to the decision-making bodies acting by delegation or to the senior management of the Company.

Article 33. Composition of the Board of Directors and Appointment of Directors

- 1. The Board of Directors shall be composed of a minimum of nine and a maximum of fourteen directors, who shall be appointed or ratified by the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, subject to the provisions of law and the requirements established by the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. The determination of the number of directors shall be the purview of the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, for which purpose the shareholders may establish such number either by express resolution or indirectly through the filling of vacancies or the appointment of new directors within the aforesaid minimum and maximum numbers.
- 3. The following may not be appointed as directors or as individuals representing a corporate director:
 - a) Domestic or foreign companies competing with the Company in the energy industry or other industries, or the directors or senior officers thereof, or such persons, if any, as are proposed by them in their capacity as shareholders.
 - b) Individuals or legal entities serving as directors in more than three companies with shares trading on domestic or foreign stock exchanges.

- c) Persons who, during the two years prior to their appointment, have occupied high-level positions in Spanish government administrations that are incompatible with the simultaneous performance of the duties of a director of a listed company under Spanish national or autonomous community law, or positions of responsibility with entities regulating the energy industry, the securities markets, or other industries in which the Group operates.
- d) Individuals or legal entities that are under any other circumstance of incompatibility or prohibition governed by provisions of a general nature, including those that have interests in any way opposed to those of the Company or the Group.
- 4. The appointment, ratification, re-election, and removal of directors must comply with the provisions of law and the Corporate Governance System. Resolutions proposed to the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting regarding the appointment, ratification, and re-election of directors must be accompanied by a report providing the rationale for the proposal.

Article 34. Types of Directors

- 1. Those directors who perform management duties within the Company or its Group, whatever the legal relationship they maintain, shall be deemed executive directors.
- 2. All other directors of the Company, whether proprietary, independent, or other external, shall be deemed non-executive directors:
 - a) Proprietary directors: those directors who own a shareholding interest that is equal to or greater than that legally regarded as significant at any time, or who have been appointed owing to their status as shareholders, even if their shareholding interest does not reach such amount, as well as those representing the shareholders described above. However, if any of such directors at the same time performs management duties within the Company or the Group, such director shall be deemed an executive director.
 - b) Independent directors: those directors who, having been appointed because of their personal and professional qualities, may carry out their duties without being constrained by relationships with the Company or its Group, its significant shareholders, its officers, or the other directors. Directors who have been independent directors for a continuous period of more than twelve years cannot be deemed to be external independent directors.
 - c) Other external directors: those non-executive directors who do not have the characteristics to be deemed proprietary or independent directors.

- The Regulations of the Board of Directors may further elaborate upon and develop these concepts within the framework established by law.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall ensure that a majority of its members are independent directors. This instruction, as well as those set forth in these By-Laws and in the Regulations of the Board of Directors regarding the composition of the committees of the Board of Directors, shall be mandatory for the Board of Directors, which must follow them in the exercise of its powers to propose appointments and re-elections of directors to the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting and to make interim appointments of directors to cover vacancies and in appointing members of the committees of the Board of Directors, and merely constitute guidance for the shareholders.
- 4. A rationale for the status of each director shall be given by the Board of Directors to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting at which the appointment thereof must be made or ratified or the re-election thereof approved, and shall be maintained or, if applicable, modified in the Annual Corporate Governance Report, after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee.

Article 35. Meetings of the Board of Directors

- 1. The Board of Directors shall meet with the frequency that the chairman of the Board of Directors deems appropriate, and at least the number of times and in the cases provided for by law and the Regulations of the Board of Directors. Meetings shall take place at the Company's registered office or at the place, in Spain or abroad, indicated in the call to meeting, which shall be made in accordance with the provisions of law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. Without prejudice to the foregoing, the Board of Directors shall be deemed to have validly met without the need for a call to meeting if all of the directors are present in person or by proxy and unanimously agree to hold the meeting and to the items of the agenda to be dealt with thereat.

Article 36. Quorum for the Meeting and Majorities Required to Adopt Resolutions

- 1. The establishment of a quorum within the Board of Directors and the adoption of resolutions thereby shall require the attendance at the meeting, in person or by proxy, of a majority of the directors.
- 2. All of the directors may cast their vote and give their proxy in favour of another director, provided, however, that non-executive directors may only do so in favour of another non-executive director. The proxy granted shall be a special proxy for the Board meeting in question and may be communicated by any means allowing for the receipt thereof.

- 3. The chairman of the Board of Directors, as the person responsible for the efficient operation thereof, shall stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during its meetings, safeguarding their freedom to make decisions and express their opinion.
- 4. Unless higher majorities are provided for by law or the Corporate Governance System, resolutions shall be adopted by absolute majority of votes cast in person or by proxy at the meeting. In the event of a tie, the chairman of the Board of Directors shall have the tie-breaking vote.
- 5. The chairman of the Board of Directors may invite to meetings all those persons who might contribute to improving the information provided to the directors.

Chapter III. Committees and Positions within the Board of Directors

Article 37. Committees of the Board of Directors

- 1. The Board of Directors must have an Audit and Risk Supervision Committee and an Appointments and Remuneration Committee (or two separate committees, an Appointments Committee and a Remuneration Committee), on a permanent basis.
- 2. The Board of Directors may also have an executive committee, called the Executive Committee (Comisión Ejecutiva Delegada), a consultative committee called the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee, and may create any other consultative committees with the powers that the Board of Directors determines, all of a voluntary nature.
- 3. The committees shall be governed by the provisions of the Corporate Governance System, including the specific regulations thereof, when available, which must be approved by the Board of Directors and, by way of supplement and to the extent not incompatible with the nature thereof, by the provisions regarding the operation of the Board of Directors.

Article 38. Executive Committee

- 1. If created, the Executive Committee shall have all the powers inherent to the Board of Directors, except for those powers that may not be delegated pursuant to law or the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the number of directors decided by the Board of Directors upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, with a minimum of four and a maximum of eight.
- 3. The appointment of the members of the Executive Committee and the delegation of powers thereto shall be carried out by the Board of Directors with the favourable

- vote of at least two-thirds of the members thereof. The renewal thereof shall be carried out at the time and in the form and numbers decided by the Board of Directors with such majority.
- 4. The chairman of the Board of Directors and the chief executive officers shall in all cases form part of the Executive Committee.
- 5. The meetings of the Executive Committee shall be chaired by the chairman of the Board of Directors, and in the absence thereof, by one of the vice-chairs who are members of the Executive Committee, and if none, by the director member of the Executive Committee having the longest length of service in office, and if equal lengths of service, by the oldest. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, any of the deputy secretaries or, in the absence of all of them, the director that the Executive Committee appoints from among its members in attendance shall serve as secretary.
- 6. Resolutions of the Executive Committee shall be adopted by an absolute majority of votes cast in person or by proxy. In the event of a tie, the chair of the Executive Committee shall have the tie-breaking vote.

Article 39. Audit and Risk Supervision Committee

- 1. The Board of Directors shall create a permanent Audit and Risk Supervision Committee, an internal informational and consultative body without executive duties with information, advisory, and proposal-making powers within its scope of action.
- 2. The Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall be composed of a minimum of three and a maximum of five directors appointed by the Board of Directors upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee from among the non-executive directors who are not members of the Executive Committee. A majority of such directors shall be independent.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall appoint a chair of the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee from among the independent directors forming part thereof, as well as its secretary, who need not be a director. The position of chair of the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall be held for a maximum period of four years, after which period the chair may not be re-elected until the passage of at least one year from ceasing to act as such, without prejudice to the continuance or re-election thereof as a member of the committee.
- 4. The Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall have the powers set forth in the Regulations of the Board of Directors and in its own regulations and in any event those established by law, except for that of reporting on related-party

transactions, which power is assigned to the Appointments and Remuneration Committee.

Article 40. Appointments and Remuneration Committee

- 1. The Board of Directors shall create a permanent Appointments and Remuneration Committee (or two separate committees, an Appointments Committee and a Remuneration Committee, in which case reference in these By-Laws to the Appointments and Remuneration Committee shall be deemed made to the corresponding committee), which shall be an internal informational and consultative body without executive duties, with information, advisory, and proposal-making powers within its scope of action.
- 2. The Appointments and Remuneration Committee shall be composed of a minimum of three and a maximum of five directors appointed by the Board of Directors upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, from among the non-executive directors, and the majority thereof must be classified as independent.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall appoint a chair of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee from among the independent directors forming part thereof, as well as its secretary, who need not be a director.
- 4. The Appointments and Remuneration Committee shall have the powers set forth in the Regulations of the Board of Directors and in its own regulations and in any event those established by law as well as the power to report on related-party transactions.

Article 41. Corporate Social Responsibility Committee

- 1. If created, the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee shall be deemed an internal informational and consultative body without executive duties, with information, advisory, and proposal-making powers within its scope of action.
- 2. The Corporate Social Responsibility Committee shall be composed of a minimum of three and a maximum of five directors appointed by the Board of Directors upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, from among the non-executive directors, and the majority thereof must be classified as independent.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall appoint a chair of the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee from among the independent directors forming part thereof, as well as its secretary, who need not be a director.

4. The Corporate Social Responsibility Committee shall have the powers set forth in the Regulations of the Board of Directors and in its own regulations.

Article 42. Chairman and Vice-Chair or Vice-Chairs

- 1. The Board of Directors, following a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, shall appoint a chairman from among its members. The Board of Directors may also appoint one or more honorary chairs of the Company.
- 2. The chairman of the Board of Directors shall have the status of president of the Company and of chair of all of the corporate decision-making bodies of which the chairman is a member, which he shall permanently represent with the broadest powers, having a duty to carry out the resolutions thereof and being authorised in urgent cases to adopt such measures as the chairman deems advisable in furtherance of the corporate interest.
- 3. The chairman of the Board of Directors undertakes the senior management and representation of the Company, as well as leadership of the Board of Directors.
- 4. The chairman of the Board of Directors exercises the powers conferred upon him by law and the Corporate Governance System, and particularly the following:
 - a) To call and preside over meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, setting the agenda for the meetings and directing the discussion and debate.
 - b) To chair the General Shareholders' Meeting and exercise thereat the duties attributed thereto by the Corporate Governance System.
 - c) To bring to the Board of Directors those proposals that the chairman deems appropriate for the efficient running of the Company, particularly those corresponding to the operation of the Board of Directors itself and other governance decision-making bodies, as well as to propose the persons, if any, who will hold office as vice-chair, chief executive officer, secretary, and deputy secretary of the Board of Directors and the committees thereof, without prejudice to the reporting powers belonging to the Appointments and Remuneration Committee.
 - d) To ensure, with the collaboration of the secretary, that the directors receive in advance information sufficient to deliberate on the items on the agenda.
 - e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during meetings, safeguarding their freedom to take positions.

- 5. The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of its chairman and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, may elect from among its members one or more vice-chairs who shall temporarily replace the chairman of the Board of Directors in the event of vacancy, absence, illness, or incapacity. The same procedure shall be followed to decide the removal of a vice-chair.
- 6. If there is more than one vice-chair of the Board of Directors, the one that is expressly appointed by the Board of Directors for such purpose shall replace the chairman of the Board of Directors; in default of the foregoing, the vice-chair having the longest length of service in office; in case of equal lengths of service, the oldest. If a vice-chair has not been appointed, the chairman shall be replaced by the director with the longest length of service in office, and in case of equal lengths, the oldest.
- 7. The vice-chair or the director, if any, that must replace the chairman under the provisions of the preceding section shall lead the process of electing a new chairman in the event of removal, notice of resignation, disability, or death in accordance with the succession plan approved by the Board of Directors.

Article 43. Chief Executive Officer

- 1. The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of the chairman thereof, after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee and with the favourable vote of at least two-thirds of the directors, may appoint one or more chief executive officers (consejeros delegados) with the powers it deems appropriate and which may be delegated pursuant to law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. In the event of vacancy, absence, illness, or incapacity of all of the chief executive officers, the duties entrusted thereto shall be temporarily assumed by the chairman of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, by the vice-chair or director designated in accordance with the provisions of section 6 of the preceding article, who shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors to deliberate and decide upon the appointment, if appropriate, of one or more new chief executive officers.

Article 44. Secretary and Deputy Secretary or Deputy Secretaries of the Board of Directors

1. The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of the chairman thereof and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, shall appoint a secretary, who need not be a director, and, if appropriate, one or more deputy secretaries, who also need not be directors, and who shall replace the secretary in the event of vacancy, absence, illness, or incapacity. The same procedure shall be followed to decide the removal of the secretary and, if applicable, each deputy secretary.

- 2. If there is more than one deputy secretary, the secretary of the Board of Directors shall be replaced by the corresponding one among them in accordance with the order established at the time of their appointment. In the absence of a secretary and deputy secretaries, the director that the Board of Directors itself appoints from among the attendees at the meeting in question shall serve as such.
- 3. The secretary of the Board of Directors shall perform the duties assigned thereto by law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 4. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, if applicable, the deputy secretary or one of the deputy secretaries if several, may also hold the position of general secretary if so decided by the Board of Directors, with the duties assigned thereto by the Corporate Governance System.

Article 45. Checks and Balances System: the Coordinating Director

- 1. The Corporate Governance System shall provide the measures necessary to ensure that neither the chairman of the Board of Directors, nor the Executive Committee, nor the chief executive officers have a decision-making power that is not subject to appropriate checks and balances.
- 2. The Board of Directors shall adopt the measures necessary to ensure that both the chairman of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee and the chief executive officers are under its effective supervision.
- 3. The appointment of an executive director as chairman of the Board of Directors shall require the favourable vote of at least two-thirds of the directors.
- 4. If the chairman of the Board of Directors has the status of executive director, the Board of Directors, upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee and with the abstention of the executive directors, must necessarily appoint from among the independent directors a coordinating director (consejero coordinador), who shall be especially empowered, when the coordinating director deems it appropriate, to:
 - a) Ask the chairman of the Board of Directors to call a meeting thereof and to participate with the chairman in the planning of the annual schedule of meetings.
 - b) Participate in the preparation of the agenda for each meeting of the Board of Directors and request the inclusion of matters on the agenda for meetings of the Board of Directors that have already been called.
 - c) Coordinate, meet with, and reflect the concerns of the non-executive directors.

- d) Direct the periodic evaluation of the chairman of the Board of Directors and lead any process for the succession thereof.
- 5. The coordinating director may also maintain contacts with shareholders when so decided by the Board of Directors.

Chapter IV. Rules Applicable to Directors

Article 46. General Duties of Directors

- 1. The directors must carry out their office and comply with the duties imposed by law and the Corporate Governance System with the diligence of a prudent businessperson, taking into account the nature of the office and the duties attributed to each of them. The directors must also carry out their office with the loyalty of a faithful representative, acting in good faith and in the best interest of the Company.
- 2. The Regulations of the Board of Directors shall elaborate upon the specific obligations of directors stemming from the duties established by law, and particularly those of confidentiality, non-competition, and loyalty, with special focus on conflict of interest situations.
- 3. The Company may obtain an insurance policy that covers the civil liability of the directors in the performance of their duties.

Article 47. Term of Office

- 1. The directors shall serve in their position for a term of four years, so long as the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting do not resolve to remove them and they do not resign from their position.
- 2. The directors must submit their resignation from the position and formally resign from their position upon the occurrence of any of the instances of incompatibility, lack of competence, structural and permanent conflict of interest, or prohibition against performing the duties of director provided by law or the Corporate Governance System.
- 3. Directors may be re-elected to one or more terms of four years.

Article 48. Director Remuneration

1. The Company shall annually allocate as an expense an amount equal to a maximum of two per cent of consolidated group profits obtained during the preceding financial year for the following purposes:

- a) To remunerate the directors, both for their status as such as well as for any executive duties, based on the offices held, and dedication to and attendance at meetings of the corporate decision-making bodies.
- b) To endow a fund to meet the obligations of the Company regarding pensions, the payment of life insurance premiums, and the payment of severance compensation in favour of current and former directors.
- 2. In particular, in their status as such, the directors shall receive remuneration consisting of a fixed annual amount, attendance fees, and appropriate risk coverage benefits (death and disability). In the case of termination prior to the end of the period for which they were appointed, non-executive directors who are not proprietary directors shall have the right to receive a severance payment for non-competition unless their removal is due to a breach of the duties of director attributable thereto or to the sole decision thereof.
- 3. The amount, subject to the maximum limit of two per cent, may only accrue if profits for the preceding financial year are sufficient to cover legal and other mandatory reserves and if there has been an issuance to the shareholders of a dividend of at least four per cent of the share capital charged to the results of such financial year.
- 4. Independently of the provisions of the preceding sections, and subject always to the approval of the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting, the remuneration of directors may also consist of the delivery of shares or options thereon, as well as a payment based on the value of the Company's shares.

Article 49. Powers of Information and Inspection

- 1. A director shall have the broadest powers to obtain information regarding any aspect of the Company, to examine its books, records, documents, and other background information on corporate transactions, to inspect its facilities, and to communicate with the senior officers of the Company.
- 2. The exercise of the aforementioned powers shall be channelled through the secretary of the Board of Directors, who shall act on behalf of the chairman thereof pursuant to the provisions of the Corporate Governance System."

D.- Amendment of the current Titles III and IV, which now become the new Titles IV (Breakthrough of Restrictions in the Event of Takeover Bids) and V (Annual Accounts, Dissolution, and Liquidation), and elimination of the current Title V (Final Provisions).

In order to introduce technical improvements and to simplify the text thereof, it is hereby resolved:

- (a) to convert the current Title III of the *By-Laws* into the new Title IV;
- (b) to convert the current Title IV of the *By-Laws* into the new Title V, entitled "Annual Accounts, Dissolution, and Liquidation";
- (c) to restate the articles currently making up both titles, which shall hereafter read as reproduced below, and to eliminate the current Title V (*Final Provisions*):

"TITLE IV. BREAKTHROUGH OF RESTRICTIONS IN THE EVENT OF TAKEOVER BIDS

Article 50. Removal of Voting Limitations

The prohibition on voting for shareholders affected by conflicts established in article 28 above and the limitation on the maximum number of votes that may be cast by a single shareholder contained in sections 2 to 4 of article 29 above shall be deprived of effect upon the occurrence of the following circumstances:

- a) when the Company is the target of a takeover bid aimed at the share capital as a whole; and
- b) when, as a result of the takeover bid, an individual or a legal entity, or several of them acting in concert, acquire an interest equal to two-thirds of the voting share capital of the Company, provided the full consideration therefor consists only of cash; or, alternatively,
- c) when, as a result of the takeover bid, an individual or a legal entity, or several of them acting in concert, acquire an interest equal to three-fourths of the voting share capital of the Company, provided that the consideration therefor consists, in whole or in part, of securities, without giving the recipient an alternative right to receive such consideration wholly in cash.

Article 51. Effectiveness of the Removal

- 1. The removal of the limitations mentioned in the preceding article shall be effective from the date of publication of the result of the settlement of the bid in the Listing Bulletin (Boletín de Cotización) of the Bilbao Stock Exchange.
- 2. The directors of the Company shall have the power, as well as the duty, to take the actions necessary to formalise the by-law amendment referred to in section 1 above and to seek registration thereof with the Commercial Registry.

Article 52. Amendments to Articles in Title IV and Related Provisions

All resolutions intended to eliminate or amend the provisions contained in this Title, in article 28, and in sections 2 to 4 of article 29 above shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the share capital present in person or by proxy at a General Shareholders' Meeting.

TITLE V. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS, DISSOLUTION, AND LIQUIDATION

Chapter I. Annual Accounts

Article 53. Financial Year and Preparation of Annual Accounts

- 1. The financial year shall commence on 1 January of each year and shall end on 31 December of each year.
- 2. Within the first three months of the year, the Board of Directors shall prepare the annual accounts, the management report, and the proposed allocation of profits or losses, and the consolidated annual accounts and management report for the previous financial year.

Article 54. Approval of Accounts and Allocation of Profits/Losses

- 1. The annual accounts of the Company and the consolidated annual accounts shall be submitted to the shareholders for approval at the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 2. The shareholders shall decide at the General Shareholders' Meeting upon the allocation of profits or losses for the financial year in accordance with the approved annual accounts.
- 3. If the shareholders resolve to distribute a dividend, they shall decide the time and form of payment thereof. The establishment of these standards and of any others that may be required or appropriate to carry out the resolution may be delegated to the Board of Directors.
- 4. The shareholders may resolve at the General Shareholders' Meeting that the dividend be paid totally or partially in kind, provided that the assets or securities to be distributed are homogeneous, they are admitted to trading on an official exchange at the time the resolution is made effective, or the Company duly guarantees the liquidity thereof within a maximum period of one year, and they are not distributed for a lesser value than the value set forth for them in the balance sheet of the Company. The same rule shall apply to a reduction in share capital due to a return of in-kind contributions.

5. The distribution of a dividend to shareholders shall be made in proportion to their paid-up share capital.

Chapter II. Dissolution and Liquidation of the Company

Article 55. Grounds for Dissolution

The Company shall be dissolved upon the occurrence of any of the events established by law.

Article 56. Liquidation of the Company

- 1. From the moment the Company declares itself to be in liquidation, the Board of Directors shall cease its duties and the directors shall become liquidators of the Company. They shall make up a collective body which shall be composed of an odd number of members. If necessary for such purpose, the director having the least length of service since appointment or, in case of equal length, the director who is younger, shall cease to hold office.
- 2. During the liquidation period, the provisions of these By-Laws governing the call to and holding of General Shareholders' Meetings shall be complied with, and the shareholders shall be informed of the progress of the liquidation, so that the shareholders may adopt such resolutions as they deem appropriate.
- 3. All liquidating operations shall be carried out with due observance of the provisions of law."

ITEM NINE ON THE AGENDA

Amendments of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting in order to conform the text thereof to Law 31/2014, of 3 December, amending the Companies Act to improve corporate governance, and to include other improvements in the area of corporate governance and of a technical nature.

RESOLUTION

A.- Amendment of the Preliminary Title and of Title I (Function, Types, and Powers).

To amend the articles currently making up the Preliminary Title and Title I of the *Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting*, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"PRELIMINARY TITLE

Article 1. Purpose

- 1. The Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting (the "Regulations") contain the principles for conducting the General Shareholders' Meeting of IBERDROLA, S.A. (the "Company"), as well as the basic rules for the call, preparation, and holding thereof.
- 2. The Regulations seek to achieve greater transparency, efficiency, and impetus to the functions of deliberation and decision-making by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, to guarantee equal treatment of all shareholders in the same situation with respect to information, participation and the exercise of voting rights at the General Shareholders' Meeting, and particularly to promote the maximum participation of the shareholders and their involvement in the life of the Company.
- 3. The recommendations on good governance generally recognised in the international markets have been taken into account in the preparation hereof.

Article 2. Scope of Application and Effectiveness

- 1. These Regulations shall apply to all General Shareholders' Meetings held by the Company.
- 2. They shall have indefinite duration and shall become effective upon the first General Shareholders' Meeting to be called after the meeting at which it is resolved that these Regulations or any subsequent amendments hereof be

approved, without prejudice to the rights previously accorded to the shareholders under legal and by-law provisions.

Article 3. Dissemination

These Regulations and any amendments hereto shall be communicated to the National Securities Market Commission (Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores) and registered with the Commercial Registry (Registro Mercantil) pursuant to applicable rules and regulations. The current text of these Regulations shall be made available on the Company's corporate website.

Article 4. Priority and Interpretation

- 1. These Regulations further develop and complement legal and by-law provisions applicable to the General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall prevail in the event of contradiction therewith, and shall be interpreted in accordance with the Corporate Governance System, of which they form a part.
- 2. Any questions that may arise in connection with the interpretation or application hereof shall be resolved by the Board of Directors, which shall propose such amendments, if any, as it deems appropriate. Those that might arise during the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be settled by the chair thereof.

Article 5. Amendment

- 1. The Board of Directors, and shareholders who individually or collectively represent at least three per cent of the share capital of the Company, shall have the right to propose amendments to the Regulations.
- 2. The full text of the proposed amendment and a report providing the rationale therefor prepared by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders making the proposal shall be made available to the shareholders at the time of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting at which the decision is to be made regarding the aforementioned proposal.

Article 6. Shareholder's Guide, Rules of Implementation, and Management Framework for the General Shareholders' Meeting

1. In order to promote and facilitate the informed participation of the shareholders, upon the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting the Board of Directors shall make available thereto a Shareholder's Guide that clearly explains the most significant aspects regarding the operation thereof and the procedures established for the exercise of their rights at the General Shareholders' Meeting.

- 2. The Board of Directors may approve rules of implementation that systematise, adapt, and specify the provisions of the Corporate Governance System regarding the General Shareholders' Meeting and the rights of the shareholders related thereto, within the framework of the corporate interest.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall also entrust to the secretary thereof the preparation and ongoing update of a management framework to coordinate and facilitate the monitoring of all activities necessary for the planning, preparation, call, holding and formalisation of the resolutions at each General Shareholders' Meeting.

TITLE I. FUNCTION, TYPES, AND POWERS

Article 7. Function

- 1. The General Shareholders' Meeting is the principal channel for participation of the shareholders within the Company and its sovereign decision-making body, wherein all duly convened shareholders meet to debate and decide by the required majorities those matters within their power, or to be informed of those other matters that the Board of Directors or the shareholders deem appropriate upon the terms provided by law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. Decisions of the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting bind all shareholders, including shareholders who are absent, vote against, abstain from voting, vote in blank, or lack the right to vote, without prejudice to the rights they may have to challenge such resolutions.

Article 8. Types

- 1. A General Shareholders' Meeting may be annual or extraordinary.
- 2. The shareholders acting at an annual General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall be previously called for such purpose, must meet within the first six months of each financial year in order to approve the corporate management, approve the annual accounts for the prior financial year, and decide upon the allocation of profits or losses from such financial year. Resolutions may also be adopted at the annual General Shareholders' Meeting regarding any other matter within the power of the shareholders, provided that such matters appear on the agenda of the call to meeting or are legally appropriate and that the required quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting has been formed for such purpose.
- 3. Any General Shareholders' Meeting not provided for in the preceding section shall be deemed to be an Extraordinary General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 9. Powers

- 1. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall decide the matters assigned thereto by law, the By-Laws or these Regulations, and in any case regarding the following:
 - *A)* With respect to the Board of Directors and the directors:
 - a) The appointment, re-election, and removal of directors, as well as the ratification of directors designated by interim appointment to fill vacancies.
 - b) The approval of the establishment and application of systems for remuneration of the Company's directors consisting of the delivery of shares or of rights therein or remuneration based on the value of the shares.
 - c) Relieving the directors from the prohibitions arising from the duty of loyalty, when authorisation is attributed by law to the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, as well as from the obligation not to compete with the Company.
 - *d)* The exercise of derivative liability actions against directors.
 - *B)* With respect to the annual accounts and corporate management:
 - a) The approval of the individual annual accounts of the Company and of the annual accounts of the Company consolidated with those of its subsidiaries.
 - *b) The allocation of profits/losses.*
 - c) The approval of corporate management.
 - *C)* With respect to amendments to the Corporate Governance System:
 - *a)* The amendment of the By-Laws.
 - b) The approval and amendment of these Regulations.
 - c) The approval of the director remuneration policy upon the terms provided by law.
 - D) With respect to an increase or reduction in share capital, acquisition of own shares and issue of debentures:

- *a)* An increase or reduction in share capital.
- b) The delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to increase share capital, in which case it may also grant thereto the power to exclude or limit pre-emptive rights, upon the terms established by law.
 - c) The delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to carry out a capital increase already approved by the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting, within the periods set forth by law, indicating the date or dates of execution and establishing the conditions for the increase as to all matters not provided for by the shareholders. In this case, the Board of Directors may make use of such delegation, in whole or in part, or may refrain from using it, in view of market conditions or the condition of the Company itself, or of particularly relevant facts or circumstances that justify such decision, and shall report thereon to the shareholders at the first General Shareholders' Meeting held after the end of the period granted for the use of such delegation.
 - d) The exclusion or limitation of pre-emptive rights.
 - e) The authorisation for the derivative acquisition of the Company's own shares.
 - f) The issuance of debentures and other negotiable securities and the delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to issue them, as well as the power to exclude or limit pre-emptive rights, upon the terms established by law.
- E) With respect to structural changes of the Company and functionally similar operations:
 - *a) The transformation of the Company*
 - b) The merger or split-off of the Company upon the terms provided by law.
 - c) The overall assignment of assets and liabilities.
 - *d)* The transfer of the registered office abroad.
 - e) The transfer to controlled entities of core activities that were previously carried out by the Company itself, even if it retains full ownership of such entities;

- f) The acquisition, transfer, or contribution of key assets from or to another company.
- *F)* With respect to auditors:
 - *a) The appointment, re-election, and removal of the auditors.*
 - *b)* The exercise of derivative liability actions against the auditors.
- *G)* With respect to the dissolution and liquidation of the Company.
 - *a) The dissolution of the Company.*
 - *b) The appointment and removal of the liquidators.*
 - *c)* The approval of the final liquidating balance sheet.
 - *d)* The exercise of derivative liability actions against the liquidators.
 - e) The approval of transactions having an effect equivalent to liquidation of the Company.
- 2. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall also decide any other matter submitted to them by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders in the instances provided by law or that is within their power pursuant to law or the Corporate Governance System.
- 3. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall also decide, by way of a consultative vote, on the annual director remuneration report, and may also make a pronouncement on any other reports or proposals submitted by the Board of Directors."

B.- Amendment of Titles II (Call to the General Shareholders' Meeting), III (Right to Attend and Proxy Representation) and IV (Infrastructure and Equipment).

To amend the articles currently making up Titles II, III, and IV of the *Regulations* for the General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"TITLE II. CALL TO THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING

Article 10. Call to the General Shareholders' Meeting

1. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be formally called by the Board of Directors.

- 2. The Board of Directors must call the General Shareholders' Meeting in the following events:
 - a) In the event set forth in article 8.2 above.
 - b) If the meeting is requested, in the manner provided by law, by shareholders who individually or collectively represent at least three per cent of the share capital, which request sets forth the matters to be addressed. In this event, the Board of Directors shall call for the General Shareholders' Meeting to be held within the statutorily prescribed deadline. The Board of Directors shall prepare the agenda of the call, which must include the matters specified in the request.
 - c) When a takeover bid is made for the securities of the Company, in order to report to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting and to deliberate and decide upon the matters submitted for their consideration.
- 3. The Board of Directors may request the presence of a notary public to assist with and draw up the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting. In any event, the Board must request the presence of a notary public under the circumstances provided by law.

Article 11. Announcement of Call to Meeting and Agenda

- 1. The announcement of the call to meeting shall be published as much in advance as required by law, using at least the following media:
 - a) The Official Gazette of the Commercial Registry (Boletín Oficial del Registro Mercantil) or one of the more widely circulated newspapers in Spain.
 - b) The website of the National Securities Market Commission.
 - c) The Company's corporate website.
- 2. The announcement of the call to meeting must contain all statements required by law in each case and must set forth:
 - a) The day, place, and time of the meeting upon first call and the agenda, with a statement of all matters to be dealt with.
 - b) A clear and specific description of the procedures and periods that the shareholders must observe in order to request the publication of a supplement to the call to the Annual General Shareholders' Meeting, submit well-founded proposals for resolutions, or exercise their rights to receive

- information, to cast an absentee vote, and to grant a proxy, upon the terms provided by law.
- c) The date on which the holders of the Company's shares must have them registered in their name in the corresponding book-entry register to be able to attend and vote at the General Shareholders' Meeting being called.
- d) A statement of where and how the complete text of the documents to be submitted at the General Shareholders' Meeting can be obtained, particularly including the reports of the directors, of the auditors, and of the independent experts to be submitted and the complete text of the proposed resolutions submitted to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting for adoption.
- e) The address of the Company's corporate website.
- f) The attendance bonus that the Board of Directors may resolve to pay to shareholders appearing at the General Shareholders' Meeting in accordance with the policy approved for such purpose.

The announcement may also set forth the date on which the General Shareholders' Meeting shall proceed upon second call, if applicable.

3. The shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting may not deliberate on or decide matters that are not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, unless otherwise provided by law.

Article 12. Supplement to the Call to Meeting and Submission of Well-founded Proposed Resolutions

- 1. Shareholders who individually or collectively represent at least three per cent of the share capital may:
 - a) Request the publication of a supplement to the call to the Annual General Shareholders' Meeting including one or more items in the agenda of the call to meeting, so long as the new items are accompanied by a rationale or, if applicable, by a duly substantiated proposal for a resolution.
 - b) Submit well-founded proposed resolutions regarding matters already included or that should be included in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting.

The written notice of the exercise of such rights shall specify the name or the corporate name of the requesting shareholder or shareholders, and there shall be attached thereto such documentation as evidences the status thereof as

shareholder, in order for such information to be checked against that provided by Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U. (Iberclear), as well as the contents of the item or items proposed. Under the circumstances set forth in letter a), the Board of Directors may require that the shareholder also attach the proposed resolution or resolutions and, if legally required, in the instances set forth in letters a) and b), the report or reports providing a rationale for the proposals.

- 2. The shareholders' rights mentioned in the preceding section must be exercised by duly authenticated notice sent to the Company's registered office within the periods provided by law.
- 3. The Company shall publicise the items on the agenda and/or the proposed resolutions submitted in accordance with the preceding sections as soon as possible, within the legally mandated periods, and shall publish a new form of attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card that takes them into account. The Company shall also ensure the dissemination of these proposed resolutions and any documentation attached thereto to the other shareholders, in accordance with the provisions of law.

Article 13. Availability of Information

- 1. At the time of the call to meeting, the Board of Directors shall make available to the shareholders all information additional to that required by law that it deems appropriate and that contributes to a better understanding by shareholders with respect to the exercise of their rights in connection with the General Shareholders' Meeting and of the matters to be dealt with thereat.
- 2. When the shareholders are to deal with an amendment to the By-Laws, besides the statements required by law in each case, the announcement of the call to meeting must make clear the right of all shareholders to examine at the Company's registered office the complete text of the proposed amendment and the report thereon and to request that such documents be delivered or sent to them without charge.
- 3. In all cases in which the law so requires, such information and additional documentation as is mandatory shall be made available to the shareholders.

Article 14. Corporate Website

1. The Company shall use its corporate website to promote the informed participation of all shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting and to facilitate the exercise of their rights related thereto.

- 2. From the date of publication of the announcement of the call to meeting through the date of holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting in question, the Company's corporate website shall continuously publish such information as is required by law or deemed appropriate to facilitate and promote the attendance and participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, including in any case the following:
 - *a)* The announcement of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting.
 - b) The total number of shares and voting rights existing on the date of the announcement of the call to meeting, broken down by classes of shares, if anv.
 - c) Such documents relating to the General Shareholders' Meeting as are required by law, including the reports of directors, the auditors, and the independent experts that are expected to be submitted, proposed resolutions submitted by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders, and any other relevant information that the shareholders might need in order to cast their vote.
 - In the event that the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' d) Meeting must deliberate on the appointment, re-election, or ratification of directors, the corresponding proposed resolution shall be accompanied by the following information: professional profile and biographical data of the director; other boards of directors on which the director holds office, at listed companies or otherwise; type of director such person is or should be, with mention, in the case of proprietary directors, of the shareholder that proposes or proposed the appointment thereof or who the director represents or with which the director maintains ties; date of the director's first and any subsequent appointments as director of the Company; and shares of the Company and derivative financial instruments whose underlying assets are shares of the Company of which such director is the holder; the report prepared by the Board of Directors and the proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee in the case of independent directors, and the report of the Committee in other cases.
 - e) The existing channels of communication between the Company and the shareholders and, in particular, explanations pertinent to the exercise of the right to receive information, indicating the postal and e-mail addresses to which the shareholders may direct their requests.
 - f) The means and procedures for granting a proxy to attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and for casting absentee votes, including the form of attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card, if any.

- g) The annual reports that the Board of Directors has approved regarding corporate social responsibility.
- h) The report on the independence of the auditor prepared by the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee.
- i) The activities reports or integrated activities report of the consultative committees of the Board of Directors.
- 3. The Company shall use its best efforts to include in its corporate website, beginning on the date of the announcement of the call to meeting, an English version of the information and the principal documents related to the General Shareholders' Meeting. In the event of a discrepancy between the Spanish and English versions, the former shall prevail.
- 4. Pursuant to the provisions of applicable legislation, an Electronic Shareholders' Forum shall be enabled on the Company's corporate website on occasion of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting. Duly verified shareholders and shareholder groups may access the Electronic Shareholders' Forum, the use of which shall conform to its legal purpose and to the assurances and rules of operation established by the Company.

Article 15. Requests for Information Prior to the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. From the date of publication of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting through and including the fifth day prior to the date provided for the first call to meeting, the shareholders may request in writing the information or clarifications that they deem are required or ask written questions that they deem pertinent regarding (i) the matters contained in the agenda for the meeting; (ii) information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Market Commission since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting; and (iii) the audit report.
- 2. All such requests for information or questions may be made or asked by delivery of the request to the Company's registered office, or by delivery to the Company via mail or other means of electronic or long-distance data transmission sent to the address specified in the announcement of the call to meeting or, in the absence thereof, to the Office of the Shareholder (Oficina del Accionista). Requests shall be allowed that include the recognised electronic signature of the requesting party, the personal passwords referred to in letter c of article 19.2 below, or that use other mechanisms that the Board of Directors deems sufficient to ensure the authenticity and identity of the shareholder, after an express resolution adopted for such purpose.

- 3. Regardless of the means used, the request must include the shareholder's first and last names or company name, with evidence of the shares owned, in order for this information to be checked against the list of shareholders and the number of shares in the shareholders' name provided by "Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U." (IBERCLEAR) for the General Shareholders' Meeting in question. The shareholder shall be responsible for showing delivery of the request to the Company as and when due.
- 4. The Board of Directors shall be required to provide the information requested pursuant to the two preceding paragraphs in the form and within the periods set forth in the law, in the By-Laws, and in these Regulations, except in cases in which it is unnecessary for the protection of shareholder rights, there are objective reasons to believe that it might be used for ultra vires purposes, or that publication of the information might prejudice the Company or related companies.
- 5. The information requested may not be denied if it is supported by shareholders representing at least twenty-five per cent of the share capital.
- 6. The Board of Directors may authorise any of its members, its secretary, its deputy secretary or deputy secretaries, or any other person it deems appropriate, in order for any of them to respond on behalf of the Board of Directors to shareholder requests for information.
- 7. To ensure the equal treatment of all shareholders, valid requests for information, clarification, or requests made in writing by the shareholders and the answers provided in the same form by the Board of Directors or the persons delegated thereby shall be included in the corporate website of the Company.
- 8. If, prior to the presentation of a specific question, the information requested is clearly, expressly, and directly available to all shareholders on the corporate website in question/answer format, the answer may consist of a reference to the information provided in such format.

TITLE III. RIGHTS TO ATTEND AND TO PROXY REPRESENTATION

Article 16. Participation

The Board of Directors shall adopt appropriate measures to encourage maximum participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 17. Attendance

- 1. All holders of at least one voting share may attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and take part in deliberations thereof, with the right to be heard and to vote.
- 2. In order to exercise the right to attend, shareholders must cause the shares to be registered in their name in the corresponding book-entry register at least five days prior to the day on which the General Shareholders' Meeting is to be held. This circumstance must be evidenced with the appropriate attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card, validation certificate, or other valid form of verification, which will be required at each General Shareholders' Meeting based on the systems available to verify the status of the attendees.

Article 18. Other Attendees

- 1. The members of the Board of Directors must attend the General Shareholders' Meeting. The absence of any of them shall not affect the validity thereof.
- 2. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may authorise the meeting to be attended by officers, employees, and other person with an interest in the orderly conduct of corporate matters, as well as by the media, financial analysts, and any other person the chair deems appropriate. The shareholders acting at the General Shareholders' Meeting may revoke such authorisation.
- 3. Personnel from the Office of the Shareholder and the person performing the duties described in article 27.3 below shall also attend the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 19. Right to Proxy Representation

- 1. Shareholders may exercise the right to attend personally or through proxy representation by another person, whether or not such person is a shareholder, by complying with the requirements of law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. The proxy may be granted by delivering to the proxy representative the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or any other means of verifying the grant of a proxy that is accepted by the Company, or by any of the following means:
 - a) Advance delivery of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or any other means of verifying the grant of a proxy that is accepted by the Company at the premises provided by the Company on the days announced in the Company's corporate website.

- b) Sending the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or any other means of verifying the grant of a proxy that is accepted by the Company by postal correspondence addressed to the Company.
- c) By electronic correspondence, completing the proxy form available on the Company's corporate website, using a recognised electronic signature of the shareholder or other type of guarantee that the Company deems proper to ensure the authenticity and identification of the shareholder granting the proxy.

For these purposes, the use of the personal passwords that the Company has previously delivered to the shareholder by postal or electronic correspondence to the address that the shareholder has communicated to the Company or through any other form determined by the Board of Directors shall be deemed to be a proper assurance.

- 3. A proxy granted by any of the means indicated in letters a), b), or c) of the preceding section must be received by the Company before 24:00 on the day immediately prior to the day on which the General Shareholders' Meeting is held upon first call or upon second call, as applicable.
- 4. The Board of Directors is authorised to further develop the foregoing provisions by establishing rules, means, and procedures adjusted to current techniques in order to organise the grant of proxies by electronic means, in each case in accordance with the rules and regulations issued for such purpose.
 - Specifically, the Board of Directors may establish rules for the use of personal passwords and other guarantees other than electronic signatures for the granting of proxies by electronic correspondence, reduce the advance period established above for receipt by the Company of proxies granted by postal or electronic correspondence, and allow and authorise the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the persons acting by delegation therefrom to accept any absentee votes received after such period, to the extent allowed by the means available.
- 5. The chairman and the secretary of the Board of Directors or the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation from either of them, shall have the broadest powers for verifying the identity of the shareholders and their representatives, verifying the ownership and status of their rights, and recognising the validity of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or the instrument evidencing attendance or representation by proxy.
- 6. A proxy is always revocable. Attendance by the shareholder granting the proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting, whether in person or due to having cast an

- absentee vote on a date subsequent to that of the proxy, shall have the effect of revoking the proxy.
- 7. A public solicitation for proxies by the Board of Directors or any of its members shall be governed by the provisions of law and by the corresponding resolution of the Board of Directors, if any.
- 8. A proxy may cover those matters that the law allows to be dealt with at the General Shareholders' Meeting even when not included in the agenda.
- 9. If the proxy has been validly granted pursuant to law and these Regulations but does not include voting instructions or questions arise as to the intended proxyholder or the scope of the representation, and unless otherwise indicated by the shareholder, it shall be deemed that: (i) the proxy is granted in favour of the chairman of the Board of Directors; (ii) refers to all of the items included in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting; (iii) contains the instruction to vote favourably on all proposals made by the Board of Directors with respect to the items on the agenda of the call to meeting; and (iv) extends to matters that, although not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, may be dealt with at the General Shareholders' Meeting in accordance with law, in respect of which the proxy-holder shall vote in the direction the proxy-holder deems most favourable to the interests of the shareholder granting the proxy, within the framework of the corporate interest.

This provision may be further developed by any rules approved by the Board of Directors that systematise, further develop, adapt, and specify the provisions of the Corporate Governance System regarding the management of the General Shareholders' Meeting.

- 10. Before being appointed, the proxy-holder shall provide detailed information to the shareholder regarding the existence of any conflict of interest. If the conflict is subsequent to the appointment and the shareholder granting the proxy has not been advised of the possible existence of such conflict, the proxy-holder shall immediately inform the shareholder thereof. In both cases, if the proxy-holder has not received new specific voting instructions regarding each of the matters on which the proxy-holder has to vote on behalf of the shareholder, the proxy-holder shall abstain from voting, without prejudice to the provisions of the following section.
- 11. Unless otherwise expressly indicated by the shareholder, if the proxy-holder is affected by a conflict of interest and has no specific voting instructions, or if the proxy-holder has them but it is deemed preferable that the proxy-holder not exercise the proxy with respect to the items involved in the conflict of interest, the shareholder shall be deemed to have appointed the following persons as proxy-holders for such items, severally and successively, in the event that any of them is

in turn affected by a conflict of interest: first, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, second, the secretary therefor, and finally, the deputy secretary of the Board of Directors, if any. In this latter event, if there are several deputy secretaries, the order to be used shall be the order established at the time of their appointment (first deputy secretary, second deputy secretary, etc.). The proxy representative so designated shall cast the vote in the direction deemed most favourable to the interests of the person represented thereby, within the framework of the corporate interest.

12. A proxy representative may hold the proxy of more than one shareholder without limitation as to the number of shareholders being represented, and exercise the corresponding voting rights pursuant to the provisions of article 40.3 below.

Article 20. Attendance, Proxy, and Absentee Voting Cards

1. The Company may issue the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards for the participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, and also propose to the entities participating in "Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U." (IBERCLEAR) and to the brokers, representatives, and depositaries in general, the form of such cards as well as the formula that must be recited in order to delegate proxy representation, which, in the absence of specific instructions from the party granting the proxy, may also set forth the way for the proxy-holder to vote with respect to each of the resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors in connection with each item on the agenda of the call to meeting. The attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card may also specify the identity of the proxy-holder and the alternate or alternates for the proxy-holder in the event of a conflict of interest, in the absence of express appointment by the shareholder being represented.

The Company shall ensure that the cards issued by such entities are uniform and include a bar code or other system that allows for the reading thereof by electronic or long-distance data transmission means in order to facilitate the computerised calculation of shares represented in person and by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting.

- 2. The proxy or voting instructions of the shareholders acting through brokers, representatives, or depositaries may be received by the Company through any valid system or means of long-distance communication, signed by the shareholder or by the entity. The entities may group together instructions received from shareholders and send them in a block to the Company, indicating the direction of such instructions.
- 3. If a broker, representative, or depositary sends to the Company an attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or verification instrument of a shareholder duly

identified in the document with the signature, stamp, and/or mechanical impression of the entity, and unless the shareholder expressly indicates otherwise, it shall be deemed that the shareholder has instructed such entity to exercise the proxy or voting right, as applicable, in the direction indicated in such card or instrument evidencing the proxy or vote. If there are questions regarding such instructions, it shall be deemed that the shareholder grants the proxy to the chairman of the Board of Directors with the scope set forth in these Regulations and that the shareholder gives specific instructions to vote in favour of the proposals made by the Board of Directors in connection with the items on the agenda of the call to meeting.

- 4. In other respects, the other rules contained in the Corporate Governance System and those established by the Board of Directors in order to further develop such rules shall apply to the proxies and absentee votes referred to in this article.
- 5. All of the foregoing shall be without prejudice to the regulations applicable to the relations between financial intermediaries and their customers for purposes of the exercise of the rights to grant a proxy and to vote.

TITLE IV. INFRASTRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT

Article 21. Place of the Meeting

- 1. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be held at the place indicated in the call to meeting within the municipal territory of Bilbao. If no place is indicated in the call, it shall be deemed that the meeting will take place at the registered office.
- 2. The General Shareholders' Meeting may be attended by going to the place where the meeting is held or, if so indicated in the call to meeting, to other places provided for such purpose by the Company and that are connected with the principal meeting place by systems that allow recognition and identification of the parties attending, permanent communication among the attendees regardless of their location, and participation and voting, all in real time. Attendees at any of such places shall be considered to be attendees at the same individual meeting, which shall be deemed to have been held at the principal location thereof.

Article 22. Infrastructure, Means of Communication, and Services Available at the Premises

1. The premises to be used to hold the General Shareholders' Meeting shall have the personnel, technical equipment, and safety, assistance, and emergency measures commensurate with the nature and location of the property and with the importance of the event. In addition, the premises for holding the General Shareholders' Meeting shall have the emergency and evacuation measures

- required by law, as well other measures deemed appropriate in light of the circumstances.
- 2. The Company may make available other furnished premises with similar characteristics where the General Shareholders' Meeting can be held in the event of an emergency.
- 3. Appropriate safety controls and surveillance and protection measures, as well as systems for controlling access to the meeting, shall be established in order to ensure the safety of the attendees and the orderly conduct of the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 4. Once the General Shareholders' Meeting has commenced, the attendees are prohibited from using voice amplification instruments, mobile phones, photographic equipment, audio and/or video recording, and/or transmission equipment and, in general any instrument that might alter the visibility, sound, or lighting conditions of the proceedings, except to the extent authorised by the chair thereof.
- 5. The proceedings of the General Shareholders' Meeting may be the subject of audiovisual recording, if so determined by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting. They may also be the subject to storage and live or recorded broadcast by any means, including over the internet, and dissemination on social networks. Entering the premises where the General Shareholders' Meeting is to be held signifies the consent of the shareholders or their proxy representatives to the capture of their image (including voice) and the processing of their personal data. The owner of the data shall have the rights of access, rectification, objection, or erasure of the data collected by the Company, upon the terms provided by law, by sending a letter to the Company at its registered office, to the attention of the Office of the General Secretary (Secretaria General).
- 6. Whenever reasonably possible, the Company shall endeavour to ensure that the premises at which the General Shareholders' Meeting is held has the means to allow access by persons with reduced mobility and the simultaneous interpretation of the proceedings into Euskera (Basque), English, and those other languages that the Board of Directors deems appropriate. The Company shall also establish measures that facilitate participation in the General Shareholders' Meeting by attendees with auditory or visual limitations.
- 7. The Company shall also make available to the shareholders any additional information that facilitates following the General Shareholders' Meeting, such as programmes for the meeting or any other documentation deemed useful for such purpose.

Article 23. Computer System for the Recording of Proxies and Voting Instructions, Preparation of the List of Attendees, and Calculation of Voting Results

- 1. The Company shall have the personnel and technical equipment required to perform monitoring and counting of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards.
- 2. On the day of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the premises indicated for the meeting shall be supplied with the personnel and technical equipment required to monitor the entry of those attending the meeting and to determine the quorum, prepare the list of shareholders present in person and by proxy, and calculate the voting.
- 3. In order to undertake such activity, the Company may, in accordance with applicable rules and regulations, ask "Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U." (IBERCLEAR) to provide a list of the Company's shareholders and the number of shares appearing in the name of each shareholder.

Article 24. Office of the Shareholder

The Company shall set up an Office of the Shareholder in a visible place at the stated premises of the General Shareholders' Meeting, in order to:

- a) Answer questions regarding the proceedings raised by the attendees prior to the commencement of the meeting, without prejudice to the rights of the shareholders under legal and by-law provisions to take the floor, make proposals, and vote.
- b) Assist and inform attendees who wish to take the floor, preparing for such purpose a list of those who previously state their desire to participate, as well as collecting the text of their statements, if such statements are available in writing.
- 9. Provide to the attendees who so request the full text of the resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors or shareholders for submission at the General Shareholders' Meeting regarding each item on the agenda of the call to meeting. Excepted from the foregoing are those proposals that have been prepared immediately prior to the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting and that for such reason cannot be delivered in written form to all attendees. Copies of the directors' reports and other documentation relating to the proposed resolutions shall also be made available to them."

C.- Amendment of Title V (Conduct of the General Shareholders' Meeting).

To amend the articles currently making up Title V of the *Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting*, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"TITLE V. CONDUCT OF THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING

Article 25. Opening of the Premises and Monitoring Access Thereto

1. In the place and on the day provided in the announcement for the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting on first or second call, and beginning one hour prior to the time announced for the commencement of the meeting (unless otherwise specified in the announcement of the call to meeting), the shareholders or their proxy representatives must present their respective verification documents to the personnel in charge of the registration of attendees.

Once registration has closed, shareholders or proxy representatives arriving late at the place where the General Shareholders' Meeting is held may attend the meeting as invitees (in the room where the meeting is held or, if so decided by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, in an adjoining room from where they can follow the meeting).

2. In the event that a second call is made due to the failure to attend of the number of shareholders legally required to hold the General Shareholders' Meeting upon first call, such circumstance shall be properly recorded in the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 26. Presiding Committee, Chair, and Secretary

- 1. The Presiding Committee (Mesa) of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be made up of the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and of the other members of the Board of Directors attending the meeting. Without prejudice to the powers assigned thereto in these Regulations, the Presiding Committee shall assist the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting in performing the duties entrusted thereto.
- 2. The chairman of the Board of Directors, or, in the absence thereof, the vice-chair of the Board of Directors, shall act as chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting; if there are several vice-chairs of the Board of Directors, they shall act in the order set forth in the By-Laws; and in the absence of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall serve.
- 3. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be assisted by the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, the deputy secretary of the Board of Directors, shall act as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting; if there are several deputy secretaries, they shall serve in the order established at the time of their appointment (first deputy secretary, second deputy secretary, etc.). In the absence of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall serve as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting.

- 4. The provisions of sections 2 and 3 above shall also apply if the chair or the secretary, in each case, must remove themselves for any reason during the holding of the meeting as regards their situation in the performance of their duties.
- 5. In addition, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may obtain the assistance of any person the chair deems appropriate.

Article 27. Duties of the Chairman of the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, who is responsible for progress of the meeting, shall generally have the powers needed for such purposes (including those of order and discipline), and the following powers, among others:
 - *a)* To call the meeting to order.
 - b) To verify that there is a valid quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting and, if applicable, to declare it to be validly in session.
 - c) To take notice of the presence of a notary public, if any, to take the minutes of the meeting as a result of a request made by the Board of Directors for such purpose.
 - d) To make decisions regarding questions, requests for clarification, or claims raised with respect to the list of attendees, the identity and the legitimacy of the shareholders and their proxy representatives, the authenticity and integrity of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards or relevant verification instruments, as well as all matters relating to the possible exclusion, suspension, or limitation of voting and related rights and, specifically, to the right to vote pursuant to law and the By-Laws.
 - e) To grant the floor to executive directors or officers that the chair deems appropriate in order to address the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting in order to report on the progress of the Company, as well as to present the results, goals, and plans thereof. If the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting has the status of executive director, such presentation may be made directly thereby, in whole or in part.
 - f) To order and direct the progress of the meeting in accordance with the powers set forth in article 36 below. To indicate the time for voting, establish voting systems and procedures, and determine the system for counting and calculating the votes.

- g) To temporarily suspend the General Shareholders' Meeting and propose the continuation thereof.
- *h)* To bring the meeting to a close.
- 2. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, even when present at the meeting, may entrust the management of the debate to a director the chair deems appropriate, or to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, who shall carry out these duties on behalf of the chair, with the chair having the right to retake them at any time.
- 3. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may appoint a representative of the Company to make an organised presentation to the General Shareholders' Meeting on those questions or considerations that the Company's shareholders even if they are not in attendance or represented by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting have submitted to the Company through other channels of participation and that the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting deems appropriate to present.

Such representative may also present other questions raised by those attending the General Shareholders' Meeting who prefer to ask their questions for delivery to the chair.

Article 28. Duties of the Secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting

The secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting shall assist the chair generally and shall perform the following duties in particular:

- *a)* To declare the Presiding Committee to be formed.
- b) To prepare by delegation of the chair the list of attendees, for which purpose the secretary shall have such means and systems as are determined by the chair.
- c) By delegation of the chair, to report to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting regarding the quorum, stating the number of shareholders present in person or by proxy, with an indication of the percentage of share capital they represent as well as the number of shares represented in person and by proxy, also with the foregoing specification.
- d) To report on those matters that the Board of Directors must report to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting pursuant to law or the Corporate Governance System.
- e) To draft the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting, if applicable.

f) To exercise, at the direction of the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, such powers of order and discipline as are necessary for the appropriate conduct of the meeting and the adoption and formalisation of resolutions.

Article 29. Establishment of a Quorum

- 1. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be validly established with the minimum quorum required by law or the By-Laws, taking into account the matters appearing on the agenda of the call to meeting and whether the meeting is held upon first or second call.
- 2. Shareholders representing at least two-thirds of subscribed share capital with voting rights must be in attendance at the first call to the General Shareholders' Meeting, and shareholders representing at least sixty per cent of such share capital must be in attendance at the second call, in order to adopt resolutions regarding a change in the object of the Company, transformation, total split-off, dissolution of the Company, and the amendment of article 21.2 of the By-Laws.
- 3. The absence of shareholders occurring once a quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting has been established shall not affect the validity of the meeting.
- 4. If the attendance of shareholders representing a particular minimum percentage of share capital or the consent of specific interested shareholders is required pursuant to law or the Corporate Governance System in order to validly adopt a resolution regarding one or more items on the agenda of the call to meeting, and such percentage is not reached or such shareholders are not present in person or by proxy at the time of formation of the quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting, the shareholders thereat shall limit themselves to deliberating on those items on the agenda that do not require such percentage of share capital or the consent of such shareholders.

Article 30. List of Attendees

1. Prior to beginning with the agenda for the meeting, the secretary shall prepare a list of attendees, which shall specify those attending as shareholders and those attending as proxy-holders, as well as the number of their own or other shares with which each one is attending. At the end of the list, there shall be a determination of the number of shareholders present in person or by proxy, as well as the amount of capital they own, with a specification as to which capital corresponds to shareholders with the right to vote. The list of attendees shall include as present those shareholders who have cast absentee votes pursuant to the provisions of the Corporate Governance System.

- 2. The list of attendees shall be contained in electronic media, the sealed cover of which shall show the appropriate identification procedure signed by the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting with the approval of the chair.
- 3. If the meeting takes place in different places pursuant to the provisions of these Regulations, the list of attendees shall also include the share capital represented in person or by proxy in each room. In such case, absentee votes shall be included in the room where the Presiding Committee is located.
- 4. The list of attendees shall be attached to the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 31. Shareholder Presentation Requests Identification

Shareholders desiring to address the General Shareholders' Meeting must so request the Office of the Shareholder or to whomever is indicated for such purposes prior to the commencement of the meeting and, and state for the record their first and last names and, if applicable, the name of the corporate shareholder they represent, as well as the number of shares they own and/or represent.

Article 32. Reports

- 1. Once the list of attendees has been prepared and they have been informed regarding the publications of the announcement of the call to meeting, there shall be a presentation of any relevant reports by the executive directors or senior officers or persons designated for such purpose by the Board of Directors. In particular, the shareholders shall be informed of the main aspects highlighted in the Annual Corporate Governance Report regarding corporate governance, emphasising the changes that have occurred since the last General Shareholders' Meeting and any non-compliance with corporate governance recommendation that the Company has described in said report.
- 2. If the annual accounts have qualifications, the Board of Directors may resolve that the chair of the Audit and Compliance Committee and the Company's auditor explain them to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 33. Ratification, if Appropriate, of the Quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting

1. Prior to the commencement of the presentation period, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, or the secretary by delegation therefrom, shall read the information contained in the list of attendees, detailing the number of shareholders present in person and by proxy, the number of shares represented in person and by proxy, with an indication of the percentage of share capital that

- both represent, and the total number of shareholders and shares in attendance at the meeting, with an indication of the share capital that such shares represent.
- 2. Once this information has been publicly announced, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall, if appropriate, declare the existence of a proper and sufficient quorum on first or second call, as the case may be, and shall decide if the shareholders can debate and adopt resolutions regarding all matters contained in the agenda or if, on the contrary, debate must be limited to only some of them.
- 3. If appropriate, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall announce the presence of a notary public at the meeting and shall identify such notary public, taking notice of the request to prepare the minutes of the meeting.
- 4. If a notary public has been requested to prepare the minutes of the meeting, the notary public shall ask the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting and make clear in the minutes whether there are reservations or objections regarding the statements of the chair of or the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting in connection with the number of shareholders in attendance and the share capital represented in person and by proxy.

Article 34. Shareholder Presentation Period

- 1. Presentations by the shareholders or their proxy representatives shall occur in the order in which they are called by the secretary. No shareholder or proxy-holder may make a presentation without having been granted the floor or to decide matters that are not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, unless otherwise provided by law.
- 2. Shareholders or their proxy representatives must make reasonable use of their presentation right with respect to both the duration thereof, which shall be a maximum of five minutes, without prejudice to the chair's powers to limit or extend them, as well as the content thereof, which must conform to the provisions of the preceding section and to the respect deserved by the proceedings and the other attendees. If the number of presentations requested or other circumstances so advise, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may set a maximum period less than that mentioned above, giving due regard in each case to the principles of equal treatment and non-discrimination among the presenting shareholders.
- 3. At the time of their accreditation, those shareholders or their proxy representatives who so desire may deliver the text of their presentation to the Office of the Shareholder in order to obtain a photocopy and thus facilitate the meeting proceedings and the preparation of the minutes. This shall be required if thee is a request for their presentation to be recorded verbatim in the minutes. In

- this case, the Office of the Shareholder shall deliver the text to the secretary or to the notary public, if any, in order for it to be compared with the shareholder's presentation.
- 4. In addition, during the shareholder presentation period, the representative of the Company appointed by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may make an organised presentation on those questions or considerations that the shareholders have submitted to the Company through other channels of participation and such other questions as are raised by attendees at the General Shareholders' Meeting who prefer to ask their questions for delivery to the chair.

Article 35. Right to Receive Information during the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. During the presentation period, shareholders or their proxy representatives may verbally request information or clarifications that they deem are necessary regarding the matters contained in the agenda of the call to meeting, information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Market Commission since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting, and regarding the audit report. They must have previously identified themselves for this purpose in accordance with the provisions of article 31 above.
- 2. The Company provide the information requested pursuant to the preceding section in the form and within the periods provided by law, except as provided by section 4 of article 15 above and without prejudice to the provisions of section 5 thereof.
- 3. The information or clarifications requested shall be provided by the chair or by any other person designated thereby.
- 4. If it is not possible to respond to the request for information, clarification or request during the proceedings, the response shall be sent in writing within the next seven days.
- 5. A violation of the right to receive information provided for in this article shall only entitle the shareholder to demand compliance with the obligation to provide information and the damages caused thereto, but shall not be grounds for challenging the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 36. Order of Shareholder Presentations, Requests, and Proposals

1. The powers to make presentations and requests for information shall only be exercised once. During the presentation period, the presenting party may make proposals regarding any item on the agenda of the call to meeting, except in those cases in which they should have been available to the shareholders at the registered office at the time of publication of the call to meeting or the supplement

to the call to meeting, if any, they are excluded by law, or they breach the rights of other shareholders. They may also propose the adoption of resolutions regarding which, pursuant to law, the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting may deliberate and decide upon without such resolutions appearing on the agenda of the call to meeting.

- 2. In the exercise of the chair's powers to order the meeting, and without prejudice to other action that may be taken, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may:
 - a) Extend the time initially allocated to each presenting party, when the chair deems it appropriate.
 - b) Decide the order in which answers will be provided and whether such answers will be given following each presentation or collectively and, if appropriate, in summarised form after the last presentation.
 - *c)* End the shareholder presentation period.
 - d) Request the presenting parties to clarify issues that have not been understood or that have not been sufficiently explained during the presentation.
 - e) Call the presenting parties to order so that they limit their presentation to business properly before the General Shareholders' Meeting and refrain from making improper statements or exercising their right of presentation in an abusive or obstructionist manner.
 - f) Announce to the presenting parties that the time for their presentations will soon be ending so that they may adjust their use of the floor and, when the time granted for their presentation has ended, or if they persist in the conduct described in the preceding sub-section, withdraw the floor therefrom.
 - g) Deny the floor when the chair believes that a particular matter has been sufficiently debated, is not included in the agenda, or hinders the progress of the meeting, as well as reject a reply of the presenting shareholder.
- 3. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall endeavour to maintain order in the room in order to allow the presenting parties to make their presentations without undue interruption. If the chair believes that the presentation or the conduct of an attendee might alter the proper order and normal conduct of the meeting, the chair may ask them to leave the premises and adopt any appropriate measures in order for this provision to be complied with.

4. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall have the broadest powers to allow, apply the legally appropriate procedures to, or reject the proposals made by the presenting parties during their presentation on any matter included in the agenda of the call to meeting or on those matters that may be debated and decided at the General Shareholders' Meeting without such matters appearing on the agenda for the meeting, in light of compliance in each case with the requirements of applicable laws and regulations. In voting on the proposals allowed pursuant to this section, the procedure established in letter b) of article 40.2 of these Regulations shall apply, without prejudice to the chair's ability to decide on the use of other procedures or alternative voting systems.

Article 37. Temporary Suspension

- 1. In exceptional cases, when there are incidents that temporarily prevent the normal progress of the meeting, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may resolve to suspend the session for the time the chair deems appropriate in order to re-establish the conditions needed for the continuation thereof. The chair may adopt such additional measures as the chair deems appropriate to ensure the safety of the attendees and to avoid the repetition of circumstances that might again affect the proper conduct of the meeting.
- 2. Once the meeting has resumed, if the situation that gave rise to the suspension persists, the chair shall consult with the Presiding Committee in order for the shareholders to approve a continuation of the meeting on the next day. In the event the continuation is not approved, the chair shall immediately adjourn the meeting.

Article 38. Continuation

- 1. Upon good reason for doing so, the shareholders acting at the General Shareholders' Meeting may approve a continuation of the meeting over one or more consecutive days, at the proposal of the chair, of the majority of the directors attending the meeting, or of a number of shareholders representing at least twenty-five per cent of the share capital present. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be deemed to be a single meeting, and a single set of minutes shall be prepared for all of the sessions.
- 2. Once the continuation of the General Shareholders' Meeting has been approved, there shall be no need to repeat compliance with the provisions of law or the Corporate Governance System in subsequent sessions for them to be validly held. The quorum needed to adopt resolutions shall be determined based on the results of the initial list of attendees, even if one or more of the shareholders included therein do not attend subsequent meetings, without prejudice to the provisions of article 41.3."

<u>D.- Amendment of Titles VI (Voting and Adoption of Resolutions), VII (Closure and Minutes of the Meeting) and VIII (Subsequent Acts).</u>

To amend the articles currently making up Titles VI, VII, and VIII of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"TITLE VI. VOTING AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Article 39. Absentee Voting; Powers to Engage in Proxy-Granting and Absentee Voting

- 1. Shareholders may cast their vote regarding proposals relating to the items included in the agenda of the call to meeting by means of postal or electronic correspondence or any other means of long-distance communication, provided that the identity of the person and the security of the electronic communications are assured. In all such cases, they shall be deemed to be present for purposes of the establishment of a quorum at the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 2. In order to vote by postal correspondence, shareholders must send to the Company the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card issued in their favour by the corresponding entity, setting forth thereon the direction of their vote, their abstention, or their blank vote, and the direction of the vote in these cases.
- 3. Votes by electronic correspondence shall be cast using a recognised electronic signature or using the personal passwords referred to in letter c of article 19.2 above or other type of guarantee that the Board of Directors deems best ensures the authenticity and identification of the voting shareholder.
- 4. Votes cast by any of the means set forth in the preceding sections must be received by the Company before 24:00 on the day immediately prior to the day set for the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting upon first call or upon second call, as applicable.
- 5. The absentee voting referred to in this article shall be rendered void:
 - a) By subsequent express revocation made by the same means used to cast the vote and within the period established for such voting.
 - *By* attendance at the meeting of the shareholder casting the vote.
 - c) If the shareholder validly grants a proxy within the established period after the date of casting the absentee vote.

- 6. If no express instructions are included when casting the absentee vote, or instructions are included only with respect to some of the items on the agenda of the call to meeting, and unless expressly indicated otherwise by the shareholder, it shall be deemed that the absentee vote refers to all of the items included in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting and that the vote is in favour of the proposals made by the Board of Directors regarding the items included in the agenda of the call to meeting with respect to which no express instructions are included.
- 7. As regards proposed resolutions other than those submitted by the Board of Directors or regarding items not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, the shareholder casting an absentee vote may grant proxy representation through any of the means contemplated in these Regulations, in which case the rules established for such purpose shall apply to the proxy, which shall be deemed granted to the chairman of the Board of Directors unless expressly indicated otherwise by the shareholder.
- 8. The Board of Directors is authorised to develop the appropriate rules, means, and procedures to organise the casting of votes and the grant of proxies by electronic means.

Specifically, the Board of Directors may: establish rules for the use of personal passwords and other guarantees other than electronic signatures for casting electronic votes or by other valid means of distance communication and to grant proxies by electronic correspondence. It may also the advance period of twenty-four hours established for receipt by the Company of absentee votes and proxies granted by postal or electronic correspondence, and accept and authorise the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the persons acting by delegation therefrom to accept absentee votes and proxies received after such period, to the extent permitted by the means available.

The Board of Directors is also authorised to further develop the procedures for granting proxies and for absentee voting in general, including the rules of priority and conflict applicable thereto. The Shareholder's Guide and other implementing rules adopted by the Board of Directors under the provisions of this section shall be published on the Company's corporate website.

The chairman and the secretary of the Board of Directors or the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation therefrom, shall have the broadest powers to verify the identity of the shareholders and their representatives; check the legitimacy of the exercise of the rights of attendance, proxy-granting, and voting by the shareholders and their representatives; check and accept the validity and effectiveness of the proxies and absentee votes (particularly the attendance, proxy,

and absentee voting card or verification document or instrument for attendance or proxy-granting), as well as the validity and effectiveness of the instructions received through brokers, representatives, or depositaries of shares, all in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Company's Corporate Governance System and in the rules that the Board of Directors may establish in order to further develop such provisions.

Article 40. Voting on Proposed Resolutions

1. Once the shareholder presentations have ended and responses have been given to requests for information pursuant to the provisions of these Regulations, the proposed resolutions regarding matters included in the agenda of the call to meeting and any others that pursuant to law may be submitted to a vote even though not appearing thereon, including any proposals made by the shareholders during the meeting that are appropriate under the law and the Corporate Governance System, shall be submitted to a vote.

The Board of Directors shall make separate proposals for resolutions in connection with matters that are substantially independent of one another. In any event, the following must be voted on separately, even if appearing within the same item on the agenda: (i) the appointment, ratification, re-election or removal of each director, (ii) in the amendment of the By-Laws, that of each article or autonomous group of articles, and (iii) those matters for which this is provided in the Corporate Governance System.

The adoption of resolutions shall proceed following the agenda set forth in the call to meeting. Resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors shall be first submitted to a vote and then, if appropriate, resolutions proposed by other proponents and those relating to matters that the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting can decide upon without appearing on the agenda shall be voted, with the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting deciding upon the order in which they shall be submitted to a vote. Unless the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting decides to proceed otherwise, once a proposed resolution has been adopted, all others relating to the same matter and that are incompatible therewith shall be withdrawn and therefore not be voted upon.

- 2. As a general rule, and without prejudice to the powers of the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting to use other procedures and alternative systems, for purposes of voting on the proposed resolutions, the direction of the votes of the shareholders shall be determined as follows:
 - a) In the case of proposed resolutions relating to matters included in the agenda of the call to meeting, votes corresponding to all shares present in person and by proxy, less the votes corresponding to: shares whose holders or representatives state that they vote against, in blank, or abstain, stating

so for the record to the notary public or the assistants thereto (or, in the absence thereof, to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting) for note thereof to be taken in the minutes of the meeting, shares whose holders have voted against, in blank, or have expressly stated that they abstain through the means of communication referred to in these Regulations; and shares whose holders or representatives have left the meeting prior to the voting on the proposed resolution in question and have recorded their withdrawal with the notary public or assistants thereto (or, in the absence thereof, with the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting), shall be deemed votes in favour.

- *b*) In the case of proposed resolutions relating to matters not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, votes corresponding to all shares present in person and by proxy, less the votes corresponding to: shares whose holders or representatives state that they vote in favour, in blank, or abstain, by communicating or expressing their vote or abstention to the notary public (or, in the absence thereof, the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting) or the assistants thereto, for note thereof to be taken in the minutes; shares whose holders have voted in favour, in blank, or have expressly stated that they abstain through the means of communication referred to in these Regulations; and shares whose holders or representatives have left the meeting prior to the voting on the proposed resolution in question and have had the notary public or assistants thereto (or, in the absence thereof, the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting) record their withdrawal from the meeting, shall be deemed to be votes against.
- 3. If a proxy-holder represents several shareholders, the proxy-holder may cast votes in different directions based on the instructions given by each shareholder.
- 4. Furthermore, so long as the required guarantees of transparency and certainty are provided in the opinion of the Board of Directors, a vote may be divided in order for financial intermediaries who are recorded as having shareholder status but act for the account of different clients to be able to divide their votes and cast them in different directions in accordance with the instructions given by such clients.

Article 41. Approval of Resolutions and Announcement of Voting Results

1. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall adopt resolutions with the majorities required by law or the By-Laws. Each voting share, whether represented in person or by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting, shall grant the holder the right to one vote, without prejudice to the limitations on the maximum number of votes that may be cast by a shareholder,

the conflicts of interest provided for in article 28 of the By-Laws, other instances in which the By-Laws provide for the suspension of voting rights, or the restrictions established by law.

2. Except in cases in which the law or the By-Laws require a greater majority, the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall adopt resolutions by simple majority of the shareholders present in person or by proxy, with a resolution being deemed adopted when it receives more votes in favour than against.

For purposes of determining the number of shares upon which the majority needed to adopt the various resolutions shall be calculated, all shares appearing on the list of attendees shall be deemed to be in attendance, present, or represented at the meeting, less: shares whose owners or representatives have left the meeting prior to the voting on the proposed resolution in question and have recorded their withdrawal with the notary public or assistants thereto (or, in the absence thereof, with the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting); and shares which, by application of the provisions of law or the By-Laws, are totally or partially deprived of the right to vote in general, or on the particular resolution in question, or shares in respect of which the exercise of the right to vote has been suspended for the holders thereof.

- 3. Once the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, at the time of voting, finds the existence of a sufficient number of votes in favour or against all or some of the proposed resolutions, the chair may declare them to be approved or rejected by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, without prejudice to the statements that the shareholders or their proxy representatives may desire to make to the notary public or to the assistants thereto or, if applicable, to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, regarding the direction of their vote for recording in the minutes of the meeting.
- 4. Without prejudice to the provisions of the preceding section, for each resolution submitted to a vote at the General Shareholders' Meeting, there must be a determination of at least the number of shares for which valid votes have been cast, the proportion of share capital represented by such votes, the total number of valid votes cast, the number of votes in favour and against each resolution, and the number of abstentions and votes in blank, if any.

TITLE VII. CLOSURE AND MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Article 42. Closure

Once the voting on the proposed resolutions has been completed and the results have been announced by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the General

Shareholders' Meeting shall end and the chair thereof shall bring the meeting to a close, adjourning the session.

Article 43. Minutes

- 1. The minutes of the meeting may be approved by the shareholders at the end of the General Shareholders' Meeting, and otherwise within a period of fifteen days by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting and two inspectors, one on behalf of the majority and the other on behalf of the minority.
- 2. Once the minutes are approved, they shall be signed by the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, with the approval of the chair. In the event the aforementioned persons are unable to do so for any reason, they shall be replaced by the persons established by law or the By-Laws.
- 3. In the event that a notary public takes part in the General Shareholders' Meeting, the notarial minutes shall be deemed the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting and shall not require approval.

TITLE VIII. SUBSEQUENT ACTS

Article 44. Publication of Resolutions

- 1. Without prejudice to registration at the Commercial Registry of recordable resolutions or to applicable legal provisions regarding the publication of corporate resolutions, the Company shall communicate to the National Securities Market Commission, by means of a notice of significant event (hecho relevante), the literal text or a summary of the contents of the resolutions approved at the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 2. The text of the resolutions adopted and the voting results shall be published in full on the Company's corporate website within five days of the end of the General Shareholders' Meeting
- 3. Furthermore, at the request of any shareholder or their representative at the General Shareholders' Meeting, the secretary of the Board of Directors shall issue a certification of the resolutions or of the minutes."



REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF IBERDROLA, S.A. REGARDING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF THE COMPANY'S BY-LAWS INCLUDED IN ITEM EIGHT ON THE AGENDA FOR THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING CALLED TO BE HELD ON 27 AND 28 MARCH 2015, ON FIRST AND SECOND CALL, RESPECTIVELY

1. Purpose of the Report

This report has been prepared by the Board of Directors of IBERDROLA, S.A. ("**Iberdrola**" or the "**Company**") in order to provide a rationale for the proposed amendment of the By-Laws submitted to the shareholders for approval at the General Shareholders' Meeting of the Company under item eight on the agenda.

Section 286 of the Companies Act requires the preparation of a written report by the directors providing a rationale for the proposed amendment of the *By-Laws*. In compliance with this provision, a description of the purpose of and rationale for the bylaw amendment is provided, followed by the proposed resolution submitted to the shareholders for approval at the General Shareholders' Meeting.

In addition, in order to provide the shareholders with a visualisation of the scope of the amendment and a comparison between the new text of the articles proposed to be amended and the text currently in effect, attached to this report as an Annex is a verbatim transcription of both texts organised in a two-column table, for information purposes. The text contained in the right-hand column shows the changes proposed to be made to the text currently in force, which is contained in the left-hand column.

2. Rationale for the Proposal

2.1 Introduction: Purposes of the Amendment

Iberdrola's corporate governance strategy consists of pursuing the fulfilment of the corporate interest, taking into account the other legitimate public or private interests that converge in its business activity and institutional reality, particularly those of the various communities and territories in which the Company operates and those of its employees and other stakeholders linked to Iberdrola and to the group of companies of which the Company is the controlling company, within the meaning established by law (the "Group").

One of the main pillars underpinning such strategy is its commitment to best corporate governance, business ethics, and corporate social responsibility practices in all its areas of activity.

Such commitment is reflected, in particular, in the application, revision, and ongoing and systematic improvement of its Corporate Governance System, taking into



account the good governance recommendations generally accepted in the international markets and the trends in this area.

As a result of such revision and ongoing improvement efforts, Iberdrola is one of the corporations with some of the most advanced corporate governance practices worldwide.

With these proposed by-law amendments, Iberdrola seeks to maintain its leading position in the area of corporate governance.

Overall, the shareholders are the main pillar around which this proposed amendment of the By-Laws revolves. As will be discussed below in the rationale for each of the proposals, the ultimate aim of this amendment is to ensure that the text of the By-Laws strengthens shareholder rights, enhances the guarantees given to the shareholders, and provides a regulatory framework suitable to encourage the participation of the shareholders in Iberdrola. A text that, in short, fosters the shareholders' involvement in the life of the Company.

Specifically, the purposes of this amendment of the By-Laws are the following:

- a) To introduce new legislative developments strengthening the position of the shareholders approved since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting and, in particular, the changes stemming from Law 31/2014, of 3 December, amending the Companies Act (*Ley de Sociedades de Capital*) to improve corporate governance ("Law 31/2014").
- b) To acknowledge the status of Iberdrola as a holding company following the reorganisation carried out in Spain, which has entailed the creation of the subholding company "Iberdrola España, S.A." (Sociedad Unipersonal) and has resulted in Iberdrola operating exclusively as a holding company, with its activities focused on coordination and supervision of the Group.
- c) To revise the concept of corporate interest in order to include the principle of sustainability and reflect Iberdrola's desire to create long-term value for the benefit of its shareholders, taking into account other stakeholders related to its business activity and to its institutional reality and, especially, the legitimate interests of the various communities and territories in which it acts as well as those of its employees.
- d) To continue moving forward with the development of the concept of Corporate Governance System, understood as the Company's internal system of rules, configured in accordance with applicable law in the exercise of corporate autonomy supported thereby and that applies to the entire Group.
- e) To make other corporate governance improvements reflecting the latest

recommendations generally recognised in international markets, thus ensuring the role of Iberdrola as an indisputable leader in this field.

This category of amendments particularly includes those designed to strengthen the framework of Iberdrola's relations with its shareholders, seeking to involve them in the life of the Company.

f) Finally, advantage has been taken of this by-law revision to simplify the text thereof, to remove sections that reproduced the text of the law, and to make other improvements of a technical nature.

As will be explained below, this has entailed the removal of many sections, such that the new text is simpler, clearer, and more accurate while continuing to regulate all relevant substantive matters, in addition to including numerous improvements. The resulting text of the By-Laws is thus shorter but broader in content.

Furthermore, the judgments of the Supreme Court in its decision of 12 November 2014 and of the Provincial Court of Biscay in its decision of 28 December 2012 (to the extent not subject to appeal) regarding the challenge to the text of these articles approved by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting held on 27 May 2011 have been taken into account in the proposed amendment of the current articles 20.3 (shareholders' right to receive information), 27.1 (powers of the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting), 29.2 (prohibition against assignment of voting rights in exchange for consideration), and 30.1 (restriction on exercise of voting rights due to conflict of interest) of the *By-Laws*.

2.2 Structure of the Proposed Amendments

Inasmuch as the same changes affect several articles, the proposed amendments have been grouped into four independent blocks for voting purposes in order to facilitate the proper exercise of shareholders' voting rights, pursuant to the provisions of section 197 *bis* of the Companies Act and article 34.1 of the *Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting*:

- A.- Amendment of Title I (*The Company, its Share Capital, and its Shareholders*) in order to reflect the status of Iberdrola as a holding company, to include improvements in the area of corporate governance and of a technical nature, and to simplify the text thereof.
- B.- Amendment of the current Chapter I of Title II, which now becomes the new Title II (*The General Shareholders' Meeting*), in order to conform the text thereof to Law 31/2014, to include other technical changes, and to simplify the text thereof.
- C.- Amendment of the current Chapter II of Title II, which now becomes the new Title III (*Management of the Company*), in order to conform the text thereof to Law

31/2014, to revise the powers of the Board of Directors in view of Iberdrola's status as a holding company, and to include other corporate governance and technical improvements.

D.- Amendment of the current Titles III and IV, which now become the new Titles IV (*Breakthrough of Restrictions in the Event of Takeover Bids*) and V (*Annual Accounts, Dissolution, and Liquidation*), and removal of the current Title V (*Final Provisions*).

Below is a description of the main amendments submitted to the shareholders for approval at the General Shareholders' Meeting, grouped in accordance with the four voting blocks described above:

2.3 Amendment of the Current Title I

Corporate Governance System, Corporate Interest, and Ethical Principles

First, in Chapter I of Title I, it is proposed to divide the text of the current article 1 into three articles.

The first article is dedicated solely to the company name; the new article 2 concerns the applicable legal provisions and develops the concept of Corporate Governance System; and the new article 3 describes the corporate interest and includes a reference to the ethical principles that are to govern the Company's activities.

The Corporate Governance System of the Company and the Group is the internal system of rules that, in accordance with applicable law and in the exercise of corporate autonomy supported thereby, ensures the best development of the corporate object of Iberdrola, as a large international business entity that operates in quite varied economic and social contexts, as well as the fulfilment of the corporate interest, understood as the common interest of all shareholders of an independent company with a broad institutional and retail shareholder base.

In this regard, the new article 2 seeks to highlight its importance as a key element that is to inform corporate governance in the entire Group.

The text of the new article 3, relating to the corporate interest and the ethical principles that are to govern the Company's activities, provides a reformulation of the concept of corporate interest to include the principle of sustainability and to spell out Iberdrola's desire to create long-term value for the benefit of its shareholders.

The foregoing entails formally recognising at the by-law level the importance of the focus on the economic, social, and environmental aspects of sustainability that drives all of the activities of the Company and the Group, which was from the very beginning a component of the vision statement of the Company and the Group, which combines the economic, social, and environmental aspects of sustainability.

The concept of corporate interest also includes a reference to the other stakeholders related to its business activity and to its institutional reality, and especially the legitimate interests of the various communities and territories in which it acts and those of its employees.

Although the Corporate Governance System has for years acknowledged and taken those stakeholders into account in the *Corporate Policies*, their corporate recognition has culminated with the inclusion thereof in the *By-Laws*.

Finally, the new article 3 includes a reference to the *Code of Ethics*, which further develops and formalises the vision and values of Iberdrola and which serves as guidance for the conduct of its professionals in a global, complex, and changing environment. The extraordinary significance of this internal set of rules in the Group's operations makes it advisable that it also be expressly mentioned in the *By-Laws*.

Object of the Company, Duration, and Registered Office

No substantial amendments are made in the current articles 2 and 3, which now become articles 4 and 5, governing the object and the duration of the Company, with only minor technical improvements being introduced in the text thereof.

Along the same lines, the text of the current article 4, which now becomes the new article 6, is simplified, such that the reference to the decisions the Board of Directors can make is removed as they are provided by law.

The Group

It is proposed to include a new article 7 to formally describe the corporate structure and governance model, based on the status of Iberdrola as a holding company owning country subholding companies in certain countries in which the Group operates, which in turn are the owners of the business subholding companies in each country that are in charge of the effective management of the businesses.

This corporate structure, which has been successfully implemented in Spain, Mexico, Brazil, the United States of America, and the United Kingdom, favours expedited and prompt decision-making in day-to-day management by the business subholding companies, and at the same time allows for adequate coordination at the Group level as a consequence of the duties of supervision performed by the country subholding companies and by Iberdrola.

The completion of the corporate reorganisation carried out by Iberdrola in Spain has culminated with the conformance of the corporate structure of the Group, for which reason it has been deemed necessary to acknowledge it in the *By-Laws*.

Permanent Contact with Shareholders, Transparency, and Corporate Website

It is also proposed to include the new articles 8 and 9, which provide for the

principles that must govern the relations between the Company and its shareholders and the markets, and the corporate website, respectively.

Specifically, article 8 establishes the principle of permanent contact with the shareholders and of transparency of the Company's relations with the shareholders and the market. The two parts of this article set forth concepts that are key to understanding the Company's corporate governance model, which concepts inform the interpretation and application of all other rules making up the Corporate Governance System.

Article 9 states the purpose that the Company believes its corporate website should satisfy, which goes beyond being a mere portal with predominantly static information. Rather, the Company's corporate website is envisaged as an instrument for channelling the Company's relations with its shareholders and the markets, as set forth in the text of this article.

Share Capital, Representation of Shares, and Unpaid Subscriptions

No amendments are made to the text of the current article 5, which now becomes article 10, governing share capital.

For purposes of text simplification, as it is governed by law, it is proposed to remove practically all of the text of article 6, governing representation of the shares, which now becomes article 11 and which is consolidated with the text of the current article 7, setting forth the essential provision that governs unpaid subscriptions.

Shareholders and their Involvement

Finally, it is proposed to remove the articles that so far made up Chapter III, governing the increase and reduction in share capital, as it is not deemed necessary that provision therefor be made in the *By-Laws*, and to introduce a new Chapter III relating to the shareholders, which highlights Iberdrola's desire to encourage their involvement and to foster their participation in the Company.

Iberdrola thus seeks to introduce a shift in the relations between the Company and its shareholders and to develop a strategy allowing for the establishment of constructive, ongoing, and effective dialogue oriented to the alignment of the shareholders' interests and those of the Company.

For this purpose, it is proposed to further develop the text of the current article 8, which now becomes article 12, and to include the new articles 13 and 14, relating to the involvement of the shareholders in the Company and to the relationship of the shareholders with the Corporate Governance System, with article 14 now containing the text of the last two sections of the current article 8.

Finally, to simplify the text of the *By-Laws*, it is proposed to remove the current articles 13 and 14, and thus the current Chapter IV ("*Issuance of Debentures and Other*"

Securities") as a whole, as the regulation thereof in the By-Laws is not necessary.

2.4 Amendment of the current Chapter I of Title II, which now becomes the new Title II (*The General Shareholders' Meeting*).

The General Shareholders' Meeting and Participation of the Shareholders

First, it is proposed to turn the current Chapter I of Title II into the new Title II, the heading of which is now that of the current Chapter I, i.e. "The General Shareholders' Meeting".

The first article, i.e. the current article 16, now becomes article 15 for purposes of consecutive numbering following the articles proposed to be amended in the preceding section of this report. It is proposed to make technical improvements in the text of such article.

It is also proposed to include a new article 16, providing for the duty of the Board of Directors to adopt appropriate measures to encourage maximum participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, in accordance with Iberdrola's strategy of fostering their involvement in its corporate life. In addition, provision is made for the existence of a predefined and public policy for the payment of attendance bonuses. This policy is currently included in the *General Corporate Governance Policy*.

The purpose of this amendment is to include in the *By-Laws* a good governance practice that enjoys recognition in international markets, seeking to ensure that payment of the attendance bonus is made in a transparent and objective manner.

Powers of the Shareholders Acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting

Article 17, which governs the powers of the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, sets forth the new powers that Law 31/2014 gives thereto: the approval of the director remuneration policy; relieving the directors from the prohibitions arising from the duty of loyalty in certain circumstances; the transfer to controlled entities of core activities that were previously carried out by the Company itself; the acquisition, transfer, or contribution of key assets from or to another company; and the approval of transactions having an effect equivalent to liquidation of the Company.

Types of Meetings and Rules Governing the Call to Meeting

It is proposed to remove article 18, which governs the types of meetings, as it is deemed technically more appropriate for this matter to be provided for in the *Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting*. For the same reason, it is proposed to remove the text of article 19 regarding the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Right to Receive Information

In the current article 20, which now becomes article 19, the period during which the shareholders may exercise their right to receive information prior to the General Shareholders' Meeting is extended, in line with the amendment contained in Law 31/2014, and the text is further amended to comply with the new rule introduced by such law regarding the enumeration of specific cases in which the Board of Directors is not required to provide the information. In addition, other technical improvements are made and section 5 of this article, the text of which is provided in the law, is removed in order to simplify the text thereof.

<u>Place of the Meeting, Establishment of a Quorum, Attendance, and Proxy</u> <u>Representation</u>

It is proposed to include a new article 20 governing the place where the General Shareholders' Meeting must be held, which matter was governed so far in the first section of the current article 24. The new article 20 provides that the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be held within the municipal territory of Bilbao, thus following the rule of the General Department of Registries and Notarial Offices (*Dirección General de los Registros y del Notariado*) on the interpretation of section 175 of the Companies Act.

In article 21, minor technical improvements are made, and there is a new section 2 in article 22 that contains the provisions regarding the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting at different places or locations, so far governed by the second section 2 of article 24. In addition, section 4 of article 22 now includes a specific reference to the simultaneous or delayed broadcast of the General Shareholders' Meeting, which has been a customary practice at the latest General Shareholders' Meetings held by Iberdrola.

As a consequence of the inclusion of the new article 20 and the changes made to article 22, the text of the current article 24 is removed.

<u>Presiding Committee of the General Shareholders' Meeting, List of Attendees,</u> Deliberations, Voting, Conflicts of Interest, and Approval of Resolutions

In order to maintain the consecutive numbering of articles, the current article 25 now becomes article 24, in which it is proposed to amend the provisions governing the composition of the presiding committee (*mesa*) of the General Shareholders' Meeting and the positions of chair of and secretary for the meeting.

In line with the foregoing amendments, the text of the current articles 26, 27, and 28 of the *By-Laws*, which now become the new articles 25, 26, and 27, respectively, is simplified, and minor technical improvements are made therein.

Article 30, which now becomes article 28, lays down the new rules applicable to

conflicts of interest at the General Shareholders' Meeting established by section 190 of the Companies Act, as amended by Law 31/2014.

Finally, and along the same lines, it is proposed to amend the text of the first section of article 29, the last article within the new Title II, to include the new majority system applicable to the approval of resolutions at the General Shareholders' Meeting introduced by Law 31/2014.

2.5 Amendment of the current Chapter II of Title II, which now becomes the new Title III (*Management of the Company*).

<u>Management and Representation of the Company and Regulation of the Board of</u> <u>Directors Thereof</u>

Similarly to the amendment of the heading of the new Title II, it is proposed to turn the current Chapter II of Title II into the new Title III, under the heading "Management of the Company", and to turn the four sections of the current Chapter II of Title II of the By-Laws into the new Chapters I, II, III, and IV of the new Title III.

As in the amendment described in the preceding section of this report, the first article of the former Chapter II of Title II, article 32, now becomes article 30 in order to maintain the consecutive numbering following the articles of the former Chapter I.

The most significant change introduced in the new articles 30 and 37 consists of giving the Board of Directors greater flexibility to freely decide regarding the establishment of the committees of the Board of Directors that are not legally mandatory. It is thus permitted that the Company's institutional structure adapt better and more swiftly to the needs of the Board of Directors from time to time, without needing to amend the By-Laws for such purpose.

Accordingly, the Executive Committee (*Comisión Ejecutiva Delegada*) and the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee are established as non-mandatory, and provision is made for the possible appointment of more than one chief executive officer (*consejero delegado*). The same change is made in article 48, which now becomes the new article 43.

The current article 33, which becomes article 31, is subject to minor technical improvements only.

Powers of the Board of Directors

Article 34, which governs the powers of the Board of Directors and now becomes article 32, has been thoroughly revised to reflect the nature of the functions of the Board of Directors of Iberdrola as a company acting exclusively as a holding company.

In this regard, in addition to a redefinition of the functions of the Board of Directors in view of the above, the text of the article has been greatly simplified, with

further development thereof being contemplated in the Regulations of the Board of Directors.

For the same purpose and in order to simplify the text of the By-Laws, it is proposed to remove the text of the current article 35.

<u>Composition of the Board of Directors, Appointment of Directors, and Types of Directors</u>

In the current article 36, governing the composition of the Board of Directors and the appointment of directors, which now becomes article 33, some drafting improvements are made and the requirement is established for resolutions proposed to the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting regarding the appointment, ratification, and re-election of directors to be accompanied by a report providing the rationale for the proposal; this requirement was introduced as mandatory by Law 31/2014, and the Company voluntarily complied with it at its last General Shareholders' Meeting. In addition, the opportunity of the amendment of this article is taken to clarify, for purposes of avoiding interpretations that are incompatible with the purpose thereof, that the reference in section 3.c) to governments (administraciones públicas) and national or autonomous community law is to those in Spain, as that is where the Company has its registered office.

In the current article 37, which now becomes article 34, governing the types of directors, it is proposed to include the changes introduced by Law 31/2014 in the definition of the categories of directors. Requirements regarding the qualitative composition of the Board of Directors are also introduced, providing that the Board of Directors shall ensure that a majority of its members are independent directors.

The text of the By-Laws thus explicitly provides for a practice that Iberdrola has been observing in the last years. In this regard, it may be worthy to point out that as of the date of preparation of this report, independent directors accounted for 77% of the non-executive directors.

Rules Applicable to the Operation of the Board of Directors

Also with a view to simplifying the text of the By-Laws and giving the Board of Directors greater flexibility in adopting its own rules of operation, it is proposed to remove articles 38 and 41, governing the designation of internal positions and the formalisation of resolutions. There has also been a simplification of the text of article 39, governing the meetings of the Board of Directors, which now becomes article 35.

The current article 40, which now becomes article 36, governing the quorum for the meeting and majorities required to adopt resolutions, now includes a provision that the non-executive directors can grant their proxy to other non-executive directors, pursuant to the provisions of Section 529 *quáter* of the Companies Act, introduced by Law 31/2014.

Committees of the Board of Directors

In article 42, which now becomes article 37 and governs the committees of the Board of Directors, greater flexibility is given regarding the establishment of such committees, in line with the provisions of the new article 30, such that the Executive Committee and the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee become non-mandatory and provision is made for the possibility of creating an appointments committee and a remuneration committee as two separate committees.

The changes to articles 43, 44, 45, and 46, which govern the operation of each committee, are driven by the same purpose: to give the Board of Directors more freedom in establishing the committees within the framework provided by law and the powers granted to each of them, as well as to simplify the text of such articles and make other minor improvements of a technical nature.

Particularly noteworthy in this regard is the express attribution to the Appointments and Remuneration Committee of the power to report on related-party transactions, as provided by section 529 *quaterdecies* of the Companies Act, introduced by Law 31/2014, with the current distribution of powers thus being maintained.

<u>Positions on the Board of Directors</u>

In article 47, which becomes the new article 42 and governs the positions of chairman and vice-chair of the Board of Directors, express provision is made for the functions that the Companies Act, as amended by Law 31/2014, grants to the chairman of the Board of Directors in section 529 *sexies* thereof, as well as express mention of the plan for succession to the position of chairman, on which the Board of Directors has elaborated in the *General Corporate Governance Policy*.

In the current articles 48 and 49, which become the new articles 43 and 44, governing the positions of chief executive officer and of secretary and deputy secretary, respectively, some technical improvements are made and the text thereof is simplified. In addition, as explained above, the new article 43 provides for the possibility of appointing more than one chief executive officer.

It is proposed to include a new article 45, spelling out the checks and balances system currently existing within the Company's Corporate Governance System. This article provides for two general principles and a series of specific measures.

Such principles consist of the mandatory existence of mechanisms preventing the chairman of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, or the chief executive officers from having a decision-making power that is not subject to appropriate checks and balances, and the adoption of measures ensuring that both the chairman of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee are under the effective supervision of the Board of Directors.

The specific measures consist of:

- a) Requiring a qualified majority to appoint an executive director as chairman.
- b) Providing, pursuant to section 529 septies of the Companies Act, introduced by Law 31/2014, for the appointment of a coordinating director (consejero coordinador) as a figure equivalent to the lead independent director (consejero independiente especialmente facultado) already provided for in the Corporate Governance System in case the chairman is also an executive director.

Apart from the powers vested by the Companies Act, such person is also assigned those of participating in planning the annual schedule of meetings and in preparing the agenda for each meeting and to lead the process of succession to the position of chairman.

The coordinating director is also granted the power to maintain contact with shareholders when so decided by the Board of Directors.

Rules Applicable to Directors

Article 50, which now becomes article 46, governing the duties of directors, provides for the new content of the general duty of diligence laid down in section 225 of the Companies Act, as amended by Law 31/2014. The other changes seek to introduce improvements of a technical nature.

Along the same lines, in the current article 51, which now becomes article 47, governing the term of office of directors, it is proposed to make minor technical improvements and to remove the last section in order to simplify the text thereof.

The purpose of the amendments to article 52, governing director remuneration, is to align the current rules with the rules applicable to director remuneration established by the Companies Act following the amendment thereof by Law 31/2014, which make it mandatory to provide a breakdown of the items of remuneration to be received by the directors in their capacity as such.

Finally, it is proposed to make minor technical improvements in the current article 53, governing the powers of information and inspection, which now becomes article 49.

<u>Removal of the Current Articles relating to the Annual Corporate Governance</u> <u>Report and to the Corporate Website</u>

It is also proposed to remove articles 54 and 55, relating to the *Annual Corporate Governance Report* and to the corporate website.

In the case of the former, the purpose of the removal is to simplify the text of the *By-Laws*, as such text is determined by law and is met in accordance with the form

provided by the National Securities Market Commission. In the case of the latter, the removal is proposed in view of the inclusion of the new article 9, which regulates the operation of such corporate website in greater detail.

2.6 Amendment of the current Titles III and IV, which now become the new Titles IV (Breakthrough of Restrictions in the Event of Takeover Bids) and V (Annual Accounts, Dissolution, and Liquidation), and elimination of the current Title V (Final Provisions).

The purpose of the changes affecting the articles that comprise the current Titles III and IV of the *By-Laws* is to make technical improvements (particularly in the current Title III) and to simplify the text thereof (especially in Title IV).

In this regard, in order to maintain the consecutive numbering of the titles, which changed as a consequence of the amendments discussed in the preceding sections of this report, it is proposed to turn the current Title III of the *By-Laws* into the new Title IV, with no change of heading, and the current Title IV into the new Title V, under the heading "Annual Accounts, Dissolution, and Liquidation".

In addition, in order to maintain the consecutive numbering of the articles as a result of the amendments described above, the articles should be renumbered as from article 50, such that the current article 56 becomes article 50 and so forth.

Specifically, the main amendments affecting the articles in the current Title III, which becomes the new Title IV, consist of updating the cross-references to other articles.

In the current Title V, which becomes the new Title VI, the purpose of the changes is to simplify the text of the current articles 59 and 61, which become articles 53 and 54, to amend the standards for determining the composition of the liquidating body of the Company established in article 64, which becomes article 56, and to remove article 60, relating to the auditors, article 62, governing the filing of the approved accounts, article 65, governing supervening assets and liabilities, and the sole final provision, such that Title V containing such provision should be removed. This is because the text removed is the text contained in the law.

3. <u>Proposed Resolution Submitted to the Shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting</u>

The proposed resolutions submitted to the shareholders for approval at the General Shareholders' Meeting read as follows:

"ITEM EIGHT ON THE AGENDA

Amendments of the By-Laws in order to conform the text thereof to Law 31/2014, of 3 December, amending the Companies Act (Ley de Sociedades de Capital)

to improve corporate governance, to reflect the status of IBERDROLA, S.A. as a holding company, to include other improvements in the area of corporate governance and of a technical nature, and to simplify the text thereof.

RESOLUTION

A.- Amendment of Title I (The Company, its Share Capital, and its Shareholders).

In order to reflect the status of IBERDROLA, S.A. as a holding company, to include other improvements in the area of corporate governance and of a technical nature, and to simplify the text thereof, it is hereby resolved:

- (a) to amend the heading of the current Title I of the By-Laws, which now becomes "The Company, its Share Capital, and its Shareholders";
- (b) to create a new Chapter III, entitled "The Shareholders" and to remove the current Chapter IV; and
- (c) to restate the articles making up such title, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"TITLE I. THE COMPANY, ITS SHARE CAPITAL, AND ITS SHAREHOLDERS

Chapter I. General Provisions

Article 1. Company Name

The name of the company is IBERDROLA, S.A. (the "Company").

Article 2. Applicable Legal Provisions and Corporate Governance System

- 1. The Company is governed by the legal provisions relating to listed companies and other applicable laws and regulations, as well as by its Corporate Governance System.
- 2. The Corporate Governance System is the Company's internal system of rules, configured in accordance with applicable law in the exercise of corporate autonomy supported thereby, and that applies to the entire group of companies controlled by the Company. It is intended to ensure through rule-making the best development of the corporate object of the Company, as an international business entity that operates in quite varied economic, legal, and social contexts, as well as the fulfilment of the corporate interest.
- 3. The Corporate Governance System is made up of these By-Laws, the Corporate Policies, the internal corporate governance rules, which include the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, the Regulations of the Board of Directors

- and those of its committees, and of the other internal codes and procedures approved by the competent decision-making bodies of the Company.
- 4. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting and the Board of Directors, within their respective purview, develop, apply, and interpret the rules making up the Corporate Governance System in order to ensure compliance at all times with the purposes thereof and, particularly, the fulfilment of the corporate interest.

Article 3. Corporate Interest and Ethical Principles

- 1. The Company pursues the fulfilment of the corporate interest, which is understood as the common interest of all shareholders of an independent company oriented towards the sustainable exploitation of its corporate object and the creation of long-term value for the shareholders' benefit, taking into account other stakeholders related to its business activity and to its institutional reality, and especially the legitimate interests of the various communities and territories in which the Company acts and those of its employees.
- 2. The Company aspires for its conduct and that of the persons connected therewith to conform and adhere not only to applicable law and its Corporate Governance System but also to ethical principles and generally accepted principles of social responsibility. The Board of Directors has for such purpose approved a Code of Ethics that includes this commitment under the By-Laws.

Article 4. Object of the Company

- 1. The Company's object is:
 - a) To carry out all manner of activities, works, and services inherent in or related to the business of production, transmission, switching, and distribution or supply of electric power or electricity by-products and applications thereof, and the raw material or energy needed for the generation thereof; energy, engineering, information-technology, telecommunications, and internet-related services; water treatment and distribution; the integral provision of urban and gas supply, as well as other gas storage, regasification, transportation, or distribution activities, which will be carried out indirectly through the ownership of shares or equity interests in other companies that will not engage in the supply of gas.
 - b) The distribution, representation, and marketing of all manner of goods and services, products, articles, merchandise, software programs, industrial equipment and machinery, tools, utensils, spare parts, and accessories.

- c) The investigation, study, and planning of investment and corporate organisation projects, as well as the promotion, creation, and development of industrial, commercial, or service companies.
- d) The provision of services assisting or supporting companies and businesses in which it has an interest or which are within its corporate group, for which purpose it may provide appropriate guarantees and bonds in favour thereof.
- 2. The aforementioned activities may be carried out in Spain as well as abroad, and may be carried out, in whole or in part, either directly by the Company or through the ownership of shares or equity interests in other companies, subject in all cases and at all times to applicable legal provisions for each industry, especially the electricity industry.

Article 5. Duration

The duration of the Company is indefinite, its operations having commenced on the date of formalisation of its deed of incorporation.

Article 6. Registered Office

- 1. The registered office of the Company is in Bilbao (Biscay), at Plaza Euskadi número 5.
- 2. Such registered office may be transferred to another location within the same municipal area by resolution of the Board of Directors.

Article 7. The Iberdrola Group

- 1. The Company is configured as a listed holding company and is the controlling entity of a multinational group of companies (the "Group").
- 2. The corporate and governance structure of the Company is defined based on the following:
 - a) The Company has duties relating to the design of the Corporate Governance System and to the establishment, supervision, and implementation of the policies and strategies of the Group, of the basic guidelines for the management thereof, and of decisions on matters of strategic importance at the Group level.
 - b) The country subholding companies, which are directly or indirectly subordinate to the Company, carry out the function of organisation and strategic coordination in those countries where the Board of Directors of the Company so decides.

These entities, which group together equity stakes in the business subholding companies in the various countries in which the Group operates, are also responsible for disseminating, implementing, and ensuring compliance with the policies, strategies, and general guidelines of the Group in each of the countries in which it operates, taking into account the characteristics and unique aspects of such countries.

c) Finally, the business subholding companies of the Group are in charge of the day-to-day administration and effective management of each one of the Group's businesses within a country, as well as the day-to-day control thereof.

Article 8. Permanent Contact with Shareholders and Transparency

Permanent contact with its shareholders and ongoing attention to the transparency of corporate information and of relations with its shareholders and with the market generally, in accordance with the provisions of law and the Corporate Governance System, are primary objectives of the Company.

Article 9. Corporate Website

- 1. The Company maintains a corporate website, envisaged as an instrument for channelling its relations with shareholders and investors, which is intended to foster their involvement in corporate life.
- 2. Through the corporate website:
 - a) shareholders and investors are provided with the documents and information required by law and the Corporate Governance System and other information deemed appropriate, taking into account the provisions of the preceding section;
 - b) shareholders are provided with the means to exercise the rights to receive information and to participation in the General Shareholders' Meeting recognised by law and by the Corporate Governance System; and
 - c) full or summarised versions of the rules making up the Corporate Governance System are published.

Chapter II. Share Capital and Shares

Article 10. Share Capital

The share capital is 4,791,362,250 euros, represented by 6,388,483,000 ordinary shares having a nominal value of 0.75 euro each, belonging to a single class and series, which are fully subscribed and paid up.

Article 11. The Shares

- 1. The shares are represented in book entry form.
- 2. If shares have not been entirely paid up, this circumstance shall be reflected in the corresponding book entry.
- 3. Unpaid subscriptions must be paid at the time fixed by the Board of Directors, within a period of five years from the date of the resolution approving the capital increase. The form and other circumstances of the payment shall be governed by the provisions of the resolution approving the capital increase, which may provide for cash as well as non-cash contributions.

Chapter III. The Shareholders

Article 12. Shareholder Status

- 1. Each share of the Company confers upon its legitimate holder the status of shareholder, and vests such holder with the rights and obligations established by law and by the Corporate Governance System. In this regard, the Company shall acknowledge as a shareholder any party that appears entitled thereto as owner in the entries of the corresponding book-entry register.
- 2. The Company may, as legally allowed, access the information needed to fully identify its shareholders, including addresses and means of contact for communication with them.

Article 13. Involvement of the Shareholders

The Company shall foster continuous and appropriate information for its shareholders, permanent contact therewith, and their involvement in corporate life. For this purpose, the Board of Directors shall establish the channels for participation through which the Company will foster their involvement with appropriate guarantees and coordination mechanisms.

Article 14. The Shareholders and the Corporate Governance System

- 1. The ownership of shares entails consent to the Corporate Governance System and the duty to respect and comply with the legally adopted decisions of the governance bodies of the Company.
- 2. Shareholders must exercise their rights vis-à-vis the Company and the other shareholders, and must comply with their duties, acting with loyalty, in good faith, and transparently, within the framework of the corporate interest as the paramount interest ahead of the private interest of each shareholder and in accordance with the Corporate Governance System."

B.- Amendment of the current Chapter I of Title II, which now becomes the new Title II (The General Shareholders' Meeting).

In order to conform the text thereof to Law 31/2014 amending the Companies Act to improve corporate governance, to include other changes of a technical nature, and to simplify the text thereof, it is hereby resolved:

- (a) to convert the current Chapter I of Title II of the By-Laws into the new Title II, entitled "The General Shareholders' Meeting"; and
- (b) to restate the articles currently making up such chapter, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"TITLE II. THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING

Article 15. The General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. The shareholders, meeting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, shall decide, by the majorities required in each case and in accordance with law and the Corporate Governance System, on the matters within their power.
- 2. Resolutions that are duly adopted at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall bind all shareholders, including shareholders who are absent, dissenting, abstain from voting, or lack the right to vote, without prejudice to the rights they may have to challenge such resolutions.
- 3. The General Shareholders' Meeting is governed by the provisions of law, these By-Laws, the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, other applicable provisions of the Corporate Governance System, and other implementing rules approved by the Board of Directors within the scope of its powers.

Article 16. Participation of the Shareholders

The Board of Directors shall adopt appropriate measures to encourage maximum participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, including, if appropriate, the payment of attendance bonuses pursuant to a predefined and public policy.

Article 17. Powers of the Shareholders Acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting

1. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall decide the matters assigned thereto by law, the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, or other rules of the Corporate Governance System, and particularly regarding the following:

- a) The approval of the annual accounts, the allocation of profits or losses, and the approval of corporate management.
- b) The appointment, re-election, and removal of directors, as well as the ratification of directors designated by interim appointment to fill vacancies.
- c) The approval of the director remuneration policy.
- d) The approval of the establishment of systems for remuneration of the Company's directors consisting of the delivery of shares or of rights therein or remuneration based on the value of the shares.
- e) Relieving the directors from the prohibitions arising from the duty of loyalty, when authorisation is attributed by law to the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, as well as from the obligation not to compete with the Company.
- *f)* The appointment, re-election, and removal of the auditors.
- *g)* The amendment of these By-Laws.
- *h)* An increase or reduction in share capital.
- i) The delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to increase share capital, in which case it may also grant thereto the power to exclude or limit pre-emptive rights, upon the terms established by law.
- increase already approved by the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting, within the periods set forth by law, indicating the date or dates of execution and establishing the conditions for the increase as to all matters not provided for by the shareholders. In this case, the Board of Directors may make use of such delegation in whole or in part, or may refrain from using it, in view of market conditions or the condition of the Company itself, or of particularly relevant facts or circumstances that justify such decision, and shall report thereon to the shareholders at the first General Shareholders' Meeting held after the end of the period granted for the use of such delegation.
- *k)* The exclusion or limitation of pre-emptive rights.
- l) The authorisation for the derivative acquisition of the Company's own shares.
- m) The transformation, merger, split-off, or overall assignment of assets and liabilities, and the transfer of the registered office abroad.

- n) The dissolution of the Company and the appointment and removal of the liquidators.
- *o)* The approval of the final liquidating balance sheet.
- p) The issuance of debentures and other negotiable securities and the delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to issue them, as well as the power to exclude or limit pre-emptive rights, upon the terms established by law.
- q) The exercise of derivative liability actions against directors, auditors, and liquidators.
- r) The approval and amendment of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- s) The transfer to controlled entities of core activities that were previously carried out by the Company itself, even if it retains full ownership of such entities;
- t) The acquisition, transfer, or contribution of key assets from or to another company.
- u) The approval of transactions having an effect equivalent to liquidation of the Company.
- 2. The shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall also decide on any matter that the Board of Directors or the shareholders submit for their consideration, upon the terms and with the requirements established by law and the Corporate Governance System.

Article 18. Call to the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. The General Shareholders' Meeting must be formally called by the Board of Directors through an announcement published as much in advance as required by law.
- 2. The announcement of the call to meeting shall be disseminated through the following media, at a minimum:
 - a) The Official Gazette of the Commercial Registry (Boletín Oficial del Registro Mercantil) or one of the more widely circulated newspapers in Spain.
 - b) The website of the National Securities Market Commission (Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores).

c) The Company's corporate website.

Article 19. Shareholders' Right to Receive Information

- 1. From the date of publication of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting through and including the fifth day prior to the date set for the meeting to be held on first call, the shareholders may request in writing the information or clarifications that they deem are required, or ask the written questions that they deem relevant, regarding (i) the matters contained in the agenda for the meeting; (ii) information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Market Commission since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting, and (iii) the audit report.
- 2. During the course of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the shareholders may verbally request the information or clarifications that they deem appropriate regarding the matters set forth in the preceding section.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall be required to provide the information requested pursuant to the two preceding sections in the form and within the periods set forth in the law, in these By-Laws, and in the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, except in cases in which it is unnecessary for the protection of shareholder rights, there are objective reasons to believe that it might be used for ultra vires purposes, or that publication of the information might prejudice the Company or related companies. The information requested may not be denied if the request is supported by shareholders representing at least twenty-five per cent of the share capital.
- 4. The announcement of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting shall state the means whereby any shareholder may obtain from the Company, without charge and on an immediate basis, the documents that must be submitted for the approval of the shareholders at such General Shareholders' Meeting, as well as, if applicable, the management report and the audit report.
- 5. The Company shall make available to its shareholders the information and documentation required by the provisions of law and the Corporate Governance System.

Article 20. Place of the Meeting

The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be held at the place indicated in the call to meeting within the municipal territory of Bilbao.

Article 21. Establishment of a Quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be validly established with the minimum quorum required by law, taking into account the matters appearing on the agenda.
- 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding section, shareholders representing two-thirds of subscribed share capital with voting rights must be in attendance at the first call to the General Shareholders' Meeting, and shareholders representing sixty per cent of such share capital must be in attendance at the second call, in order to adopt resolutions regarding a change in the object of the Company, transformation, total split-off, dissolution of the Company, and the amendment of this section 2.
- 3. The absence of shareholders occurring once a quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting has been established shall not affect the validity of the meeting.
- 4. If the attendance of shareholders representing a particular minimum percentage of share capital or the consent of specific interested shareholders is required pursuant to law or the Corporate Governance System in order to adopt a resolution regarding one or more items on the agenda, and such percentage is not reached or such shareholders are not present in person or by proxy, the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting shall limit themselves to deliberating and deciding on those items on the agenda that do not require such percentage of share capital or the consent of such shareholders.

Article 22. Right to Attend

- 1. The holders of at least one voting share may attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and take part in deliberations thereof, with the right to be heard and to vote.
- 2. The General Shareholders' Meeting may be attended by going to the place where the meeting is held or, if so indicated in the call to meeting, to other places provided for such purpose by the Company and that are connected with the principal meeting place by systems that allow recognition and identification of the parties attending, permanent communication among the attendees regardless of their location, and participation and voting, all in real time. Attendees at any of such places shall be considered to be attendees at the same individual meeting, which shall be deemed to have been held at the principal location thereof.
- 3. In order to exercise the right to attend, shareholders must cause the shares to be registered in their name in the corresponding book-entry register at least five days prior to the day on which the General Shareholders' Meeting is to be held.

4. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may authorise the attendance of officers, employees, and other persons related to the Company. The chair may also grant access to the media, to financial analysts, and to any other person the chair deems appropriate, as well as authorise the simultaneous or delayed broadcast thereof, although the shareholders acting thereat may revoke such authorisation.

Article 23. Right to Proxy Representation

- 1. All shareholders having the right to attend may be represented at the General Shareholders' Meeting by proxy through another person, whether or not such person is a shareholder, by complying with the requirements of law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. Proxies must be given in writing or by postal or electronic correspondence, in which case the provisions of article 27 below for the casting of absentee votes shall apply to the extent applicable.
- 3. Proxy and voting instructions of shareholders acting through brokers, representatives, or depositaries shall be governed by the provisions of law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 4. In cases of absence of identification of the proxy-holder, absence of express instructions for the exercise of voting rights, submission of items not included on the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting, or a conflict of interest affecting the proxy-holder, the rules established in this regard in the Corporate Governance System shall apply.
- 5. The chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation from either of them, shall be responsible for verifying the identity of the shareholders and their representatives, verifying the ownership and status of their rights, and recognising the validity of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or the instrument evidencing attendance or representation by proxy.

Article 24. Presiding Committee, Chair of, and Secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting

1. The Presiding Committee (Mesa) of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be made up of the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the other members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting. Without prejudice to other powers that may be assigned thereto by these By-Laws or the Corporate Governance System, the Presiding Committee shall assist the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting in carrying out the duties thereof.

- 2. The chairman of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, the vice-chair, shall act as chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting. If there are several vice-chairs, they shall act in the order set forth in article 42.6 below. In the absence of all of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall act as chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 3. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, the deputy secretary, shall act as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting. If there are several deputy secretaries, the order set forth in article 44.2 below shall apply. In the absence of all of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall act as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 25. List of Attendees

- 1. Prior to beginning with the agenda for the meeting, a list of attendees shall be prepared that sets forth the nature or representation of each attendee and the number of shares they own or represent by proxy.
- 2. Questions or claims arising with respect to preparation of the list of attendees and compliance with the requirements for a valid quorum at the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be resolved by the chair thereof.

Article 26. Deliberations and Voting

- 1. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall: direct the meeting; accept new proposed resolutions relating to matters on the agenda; organise the deliberations, granting the floor to shareholders who so request it and taking the floor away or refusing to grant it when the chair deems that a particular matter has been sufficiently debated, is not included in the agenda, or hinders the progress of the meeting; indicate the time and establish, pursuant to the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, the system or procedure for voting; decide on the suspension or limitation of political rights, especially the voting rights attaching to shares pursuant to law and these By-Laws; approve the polling and vote counting system; proclaim the voting results; temporarily suspend or propose an extension of the General Shareholders' Meeting; close the meeting; and, in general, exercise all powers, including those of order and discipline, that are required to properly hold the proceedings.
- 2. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may entrust the management of the meeting to a director the chair deems appropriate, or to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, who shall carry out this duty on behalf of the chair, with the chair having the right to retake it at any time. In the event of temporary absence or supervening incapacity of the chair of or the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, the appropriate persons under sections 2 and 3 of article 24, respectively, shall assume the duties thereof.

3. Proposed resolutions shall be voted upon by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting pursuant to the provisions of the following articles and the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 27. Absentee Voting

- 1. Shareholders may cast their absentee vote on proposed resolutions relating to the items on the agenda of the call to meeting by complying with the requirements of law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. Shareholders that have cast their absentee vote shall be deemed present for purposes of the establishment of a quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 3. Absentee votes must be received by the Company before 24:00 on the day immediately prior to the day set for the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting upon first call or upon second call, as applicable.
- 4. The Board of Directors is authorised to develop the rules, means, and procedures for absentee voting, including applicable rules on priority and conflict.
 - Specifically, the Board of Directors may reduce the advance period set forth in section 3 above for receipt by the Company of absentee votes, and accept, and authorise the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the persons acting by delegation therefrom to accept, any absentee votes received after such period, to the extent permitted by the means available.
- 5. The chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation from either of them, shall be responsible for verifying and recognising the validity of the absentee votes cast in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Corporate Governance System and the rules established by the Board of Directors in implementation thereof.
- 6. Remote attendance at the General Shareholders' Meeting by means of data transmission and simultaneously and absentee electronic voting during the course of the General Shareholders' Meeting may be admitted if it is so established in the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, subject to the requirements set forth therein.

Article 28. Conflicts of Interest

- 1. A shareholder may not exercise the shareholder's right to vote at a General Shareholders' Meeting, either in person or by proxy, with respect to the adoption of a resolution to:
 - a) Relieve the shareholder of an obligation or grant the shareholder a right.

- b) Provide the shareholder with any kind of financial assistance, including the provision of guarantees in favour thereof.
- c) Release the shareholder, if a director, from obligations arising from the duty of loyalty established in accordance with the provisions of law.
- 2. The provisions of the preceding section shall also apply when the resolutions affect, in the case of an individual shareholder, the entities or companies controlled thereby, and in the case of corporate shareholders, the entities or companies belonging to their group (in the sense indicated in article 29.3 below), even if these latter companies or entities are not shareholders.
- 3. If the shareholder subject to any of the voting prohibitions above attends the General Shareholders' Meeting, such shareholder's shares shall be deducted from those in attendance for purposes of determining the number of shares upon which the majority needed for the adoption of the relevant resolutions shall be calculated.

Article 29. Approval of Resolutions

- 1. Except in cases in which the law or these By-Laws require a greater majority, the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall adopt resolutions by simple majority of the shareholders present in person or by proxy, with a resolution being deemed adopted when it receives more votes in favour than against. Each voting share that is represented in person or by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting shall give the right to one vote.
- 2. No shareholder may cast a number of votes greater than those corresponding to shares representing ten (10%) per cent of share capital, even if the number of shares held exceeds such percentage of the share capital. This limitation does not affect votes corresponding to shares with respect to which a shareholder is holding a proxy as a result of the provisions of article 23 above, provided, however, that with respect to the number of votes corresponding to the shares of each shareholder represented by proxy, the limitation set forth above shall apply.
- 3. The limitation set forth in the preceding section shall also apply to the maximum number of votes that may be collectively or individually cast by two or more shareholders that are entities or companies belonging to the same group. Such limitation shall also apply to the number of votes that may be cast collectively or individually by an individual and the shareholder entity, entities, or companies controlled by such individual. A group shall be deemed to exist under the circumstances provided by law, and also when a person controls one or more entities or companies.
- 4. Shares deprived of voting rights pursuant to the application of the preceding sections shall be deducted from the shares in attendance at the General

Shareholders' Meeting for purposes of determining the number of shares upon which the majorities needed for the approval of resolutions by the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall be calculated."

<u>C.- Amendment of the current Chapter II of Title II, which now becomes the new Title III (Management of the Company).</u>

In order to conform the text thereof to Law 31/2014 amending the Companies Act (Ley de Sociedades de Capital) to improve corporate governance, to revise the regulation of the powers of the Board of Directors based on the status of IBERDROLA, S.A. as a holding company, and to include other improvements to corporate governance and of a technical nature, it is hereby resolved:

- (a) to convert the current Chapter II of Title II of the By-Laws into the new Title III, entitled "Management of the Company";
- (b) to convert the four sections of the current Chapter II of Title II of the By-Laws into the new Chapters I, II, III, and IV of the new Title III; and
- (c) to restate the articles currently making up the current Chapter II of Title II, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"TITLE III. MANAGEMENT OF THE COMPANY

Chapter I. General Provisions

Article 30. Management and Representation of the Company

- 1. The Company is managed and represented by the Board of Directors, its chairman, and, if applicable and if so approved by the Board of Directors, by an executive committee called the Executive Committee (Comisión Ejecutiva Delegada) and, also if so decided by the Board of Directors, by one or more chief executive officers (consejeros delegados).
- 2. Each of these bodies shall have the powers set forth in these By-Laws, the Regulations of the Board of Directors, and other applicable provisions of the Corporate Governance System, without prejudice to the provisions of law.

Chapter II. The Board of Directors.

Article 31. Regulation of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall be governed by the provisions set forth in the law, these By-Laws, the Regulations of the Board of Directors, and the other applicable provisions of the Corporate Governance System.

Article 32. Powers of the Board of Directors

- 1. The Board of Directors has the power to adopt resolutions regarding all matters not assigned by law or the Corporate Governance System to the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 2. Although the Board of Directors has the broadest powers and authority to manage and represent the Company, as a general rule of good governance, the Board of Directors shall focus its activities, pursuant to the Corporate Governance System, on the definition and supervision of the general guidelines to be followed by the Company and the Group, attending to the following matters, among others:
 - a) Establish, within legal limits, the policies, strategies, and guidelines of the Group, entrusting to the decision-making bodies and the management of the business subholding companies of the Group the duties of day-to-day administration and effective management of each of the businesses thereof.
 - b) Supervise the general development of the aforementioned policies, strategies, and guidelines by the country subholding companies and by the business subholding companies of the Group, establishing appropriate mechanisms of coordination and exchange of information in the interest of the Company and of the companies belonging thereto.
 - c) Decide on matters of strategic importance at the Group level.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall generally entrust to its chairman, to the chief executive officers, and to the senior officers the dissemination, coordination, and general implementation of the Group's management guidelines, acting in furtherance of the interests of each and every one of the companies belonging thereto.
- 4. The Board of Directors shall design, evaluate, and review the Corporate Governance System on an ongoing basis. It shall pay special attention to the approval of the Corporate Policies, which further develop the principles reflected in these By-Laws and in the other provisions of the Corporate Governance System and codify the guidelines that should govern the activities of the Company and its shareholders and the activities of the Group.
- 5. The Regulations of the Board of Directors shall specify the powers reserved to such body, which may not be entrusted to the decision-making bodies acting by delegation or to the senior management of the Company.

Article 33. Composition of the Board of Directors and Appointment of Directors

- 1. The Board of Directors shall be composed of a minimum of nine and a maximum of fourteen directors, who shall be appointed or ratified by the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, subject to the provisions of law and the requirements established by the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. The determination of the number of directors shall be the purview of the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, for which purpose the shareholders may establish such number either by express resolution or indirectly through the filling of vacancies or the appointment of new directors within the aforesaid minimum and maximum numbers.
- 3. The following may not be appointed as directors or as individuals representing a corporate director:
 - a) Domestic or foreign companies competing with the Company in the energy industry or other industries, or the directors or senior officers thereof, or such persons, if any, as are proposed by them in their capacity as shareholders.
 - b) Individuals or legal entities serving as directors in more than three companies with shares trading on domestic or foreign stock exchanges.
 - c) Persons who, during the two years prior to their appointment, have occupied high-level positions in Spanish government administrations that are incompatible with the simultaneous performance of the duties of a director of a listed company under Spanish national or autonomous community law, or positions of responsibility with entities regulating the energy industry, the securities markets, or other industries in which the Group operates.
 - d) Individuals or legal entities that are under any other circumstance of incompatibility or prohibition governed by provisions of a general nature, including those that have interests in any way opposed to those of the Company or the Group.
- 4. The appointment, ratification, re-election, and removal of directors must comply with the provisions of law and the Corporate Governance System. Resolutions proposed to the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting regarding the appointment, ratification, and re-election of directors must be accompanied by a report providing the rationale for the proposal.

Article 34. Types of Directors

- 1. Those directors who perform management duties within the Company or its Group, whatever the legal relationship they maintain, shall be deemed executive directors.
- 2. All other directors of the Company, whether proprietary, independent, or other external, shall be deemed non-executive directors:
 - a) Proprietary directors: those directors who own a shareholding interest that is equal to or greater than that legally regarded as significant at any time, or who have been appointed owing to their status as shareholders, even if their shareholding interest does not reach such amount, as well as those representing the shareholders described above. However, if any of such directors at the same time performs management duties within the Company or the Group, such director shall be deemed an executive director.
 - b) Independent directors: those directors who, having been appointed because of their personal and professional qualities, may carry out their duties without being constrained by relationships with the Company or its Group, its significant shareholders, its officers, or the other directors. Directors who have been independent directors for a continuous period of more than twelve years cannot be deemed to be external independent directors.
 - c) Other external directors: those non-executive directors who do not have the characteristics to be deemed proprietary or independent directors.

The Regulations of the Board of Directors may further elaborate upon and develop these concepts within the framework established by law.

- 3. The Board of Directors shall ensure that a majority of its members are independent directors. This instruction, as well as those set forth in these By-Laws and in the Regulations of the Board of Directors regarding the composition of the committees of the Board of Directors, shall be mandatory for the Board of Directors, which must follow them in the exercise of its powers to propose appointments and re-elections of directors to the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting and to make interim appointments of directors to cover vacancies and in appointing members of the committees of the Board of Directors, and merely constitute guidance for the shareholders.
- 4. A rationale for the status of each director shall be given by the Board of Directors to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting at which the appointment thereof must be made or ratified or the re-election thereof approved, and shall be maintained or, if applicable, modified in the Annual Corporate Governance Report, after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee.

Article 35. Meetings of the Board of Directors

- 1. The Board of Directors shall meet with the frequency that the chairman of the Board of Directors deems appropriate, and at least the number of times and in the cases provided for by law and the Regulations of the Board of Directors. Meetings shall take place at the Company's registered office or at the place, in Spain or abroad, indicated in the call to meeting, which shall be made in accordance with the provisions of law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. Without prejudice to the foregoing, the Board of Directors shall be deemed to have validly met without the need for a call to meeting if all of the directors are present in person or by proxy and unanimously agree to hold the meeting and to the items of the agenda to be dealt with thereat.

Article 36. Quorum for the Meeting and Majorities Required to Adopt Resolutions

- 1. The establishment of a quorum within the Board of Directors and the adoption of resolutions thereby shall require the attendance at the meeting, in person or by proxy, of a majority of the directors.
- 2. All of the directors may cast their vote and give their proxy in favour of another director, provided, however, that non-executive directors may only do so in favour of another non-executive director. The proxy granted shall be a special proxy for the Board meeting in question and may be communicated by any means allowing for the receipt thereof.
- 3. The chairman of the Board of Directors, as the person responsible for the efficient operation thereof, shall stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during its meetings, safeguarding their freedom to make decisions and express their opinion.
- 4. Unless higher majorities are provided for by law or the Corporate Governance System, resolutions shall be adopted by absolute majority of votes cast in person or by proxy at the meeting. In the event of a tie, the chairman of the Board of Directors shall have the tie-breaking vote.
- 5. The chairman of the Board of Directors may invite to meetings all those persons who might contribute to improving the information provided to the directors.

Chapter III. Committees and Positions within the Board of Directors

Article 37. Committees of the Board of Directors

1. The Board of Directors must have an Audit and Risk Supervision Committee and an Appointments and Remuneration Committee (or two separate committees, an Appointments Committee and a Remuneration Committee), on a permanent basis.

- 2. The Board of Directors may also have an executive committee, called the Executive Committee (Comisión Ejecutiva Delegada), a consultative committee called the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee, and may create any other consultative committees with the powers that the Board of Directors determines, all of a voluntary nature.
- 3. The committees shall be governed by the provisions of the Corporate Governance System, including the specific regulations thereof, when available, which must be approved by the Board of Directors and, by way of supplement and to the extent not incompatible with the nature thereof, by the provisions regarding the operation of the Board of Directors.

Article 38. Executive Committee

- 1. If created, the Executive Committee shall have all the powers inherent to the Board of Directors, except for those powers that may not be delegated pursuant to law or the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the number of directors decided by the Board of Directors upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, with a minimum of four and a maximum of eight.
- 3. The appointment of the members of the Executive Committee and the delegation of powers thereto shall be carried out by the Board of Directors with the favourable vote of at least two-thirds of the members thereof. The renewal thereof shall be carried out at the time and in the form and numbers decided by the Board of Directors with such majority.
- 4. The chairman of the Board of Directors and the chief executive officers shall in all cases form part of the Executive Committee.
- 5. The meetings of the Executive Committee shall be chaired by the chairman of the Board of Directors, and in the absence thereof, by one of the vice-chairs who are members of the Executive Committee, and if none, by the director member of the Executive Committee having the longest length of service in office, and if equal lengths of service, by the oldest. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, any of the deputy secretaries or, in the absence of all of them, the director that the Executive Committee appoints from among its members in attendance shall serve as secretary.
- 6. Resolutions of the Executive Committee shall be adopted by an absolute majority of votes cast in person or by proxy. In the event of a tie, the chair of the Executive Committee shall have the tie-breaking vote.

Article 39. Audit and Risk Supervision Committee

- 1. The Board of Directors shall create a permanent Audit and Risk Supervision Committee, an internal informational and consultative body without executive duties with information, advisory, and proposal-making powers within its scope of action.
- 2. The Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall be composed of a minimum of three and a maximum of five directors appointed by the Board of Directors upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee from among the non-executive directors who are not members of the Executive Committee. A majority of such directors shall be independent.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall appoint a chair of the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee from among the independent directors forming part thereof, as well as its secretary, who need not be a director. The position of chair of the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall be held for a maximum period of four years, after which period the chair may not be re-elected until the passage of at least one year from ceasing to act as such, without prejudice to the continuance or re-election thereof as a member of the committee.
- 4. The Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall have the powers set forth in the Regulations of the Board of Directors and in its own regulations and in any event those established by law, except for that of reporting on related-party transactions, which power is assigned to the Appointments and Remuneration Committee.

Article 40. Appointments and Remuneration Committee

- 1. The Board of Directors shall create a permanent Appointments and Remuneration Committee (or two separate committees, an Appointments Committee and a Remuneration Committee, in which case reference in these By-Laws to the Appointments and Remuneration Committee shall be deemed made to the corresponding committee), which shall be an internal informational and consultative body without executive duties, with information, advisory, and proposal-making powers within its scope of action.
- 2. The Appointments and Remuneration Committee shall be composed of a minimum of three and a maximum of five directors appointed by the Board of Directors upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, from among the non-executive directors, and the majority thereof must be classified as independent.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall appoint a chair of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee from among the independent directors forming part thereof, as well as its secretary, who need not be a director.

4. The Appointments and Remuneration Committee shall have the powers set forth in the Regulations of the Board of Directors and in its own regulations and in any event those established by law as well as the power to report on related-party transactions.

Article 41. Corporate Social Responsibility Committee

- 1. If created, the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee shall be deemed an internal informational and consultative body without executive duties, with information, advisory, and proposal-making powers within its scope of action.
- 2. The Corporate Social Responsibility Committee shall be composed of a minimum of three and a maximum of five directors appointed by the Board of Directors upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, from among the non-executive directors, and the majority thereof must be classified as independent.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall appoint a chair of the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee from among the independent directors forming part thereof, as well as its secretary, who need not be a director.
- 4. The Corporate Social Responsibility Committee shall have the powers set forth in the Regulations of the Board of Directors and in its own regulations.

Article 42. Chairman and Vice-Chair or Vice-Chairs

- 1. The Board of Directors, following a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, shall appoint a chairman from among its members. The Board of Directors may also appoint one or more honorary chairs of the Company.
- 2. The chairman of the Board of Directors shall have the status of president of the Company and of chair of all of the corporate decision-making bodies of which the chairman is a member, which he shall permanently represent with the broadest powers, having a duty to carry out the resolutions thereof and being authorised in urgent cases to adopt such measures as the chairman deems advisable in furtherance of the corporate interest.
- 3. The chairman of the Board of Directors undertakes the senior management and representation of the Company, as well as leadership of the Board of Directors.
- 4. The chairman of the Board of Directors exercises the powers conferred upon him by law and the Corporate Governance System, and particularly the following:
 - a) To call and preside over meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, setting the agenda for the meetings and directing the discussion and debate.

- b) To chair the General Shareholders' Meeting and exercise thereat the duties attributed thereto by the Corporate Governance System.
- c) To bring to the Board of Directors those proposals that the chairman deems appropriate for the efficient running of the Company, particularly those corresponding to the operation of the Board of Directors itself and other governance decision-making bodies, as well as to propose the persons, if any, who will hold office as vice-chair, chief executive officer, secretary, and deputy secretary of the Board of Directors and the committees thereof, without prejudice to the reporting powers belonging to the Appointments and Remuneration Committee.
- d) To ensure, with the collaboration of the secretary, that the directors receive in advance information sufficient to deliberate on the items on the agenda.
- e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during meetings, safeguarding their freedom to take positions.
- 5. The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of its chairman and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, may elect from among its members one or more vice-chairs who shall temporarily replace the chairman of the Board of Directors in the event of vacancy, absence, illness, or incapacity. The same procedure shall be followed to decide the removal of a vice-chair.
- 6. If there is more than one vice-chair of the Board of Directors, the one that is expressly appointed by the Board of Directors for such purpose shall replace the chairman of the Board of Directors; in default of the foregoing, the vice-chair having the longest length of service in office; in case of equal lengths of service, the oldest. If a vice-chair has not been appointed, the chairman shall be replaced by the director with the longest length of service in office, and in case of equal lengths, the oldest.
- 7. The vice-chair or the director, if any, that must replace the chairman under the provisions of the preceding section shall lead the process of electing a new chairman in the event of removal, notice of resignation, disability, or death in accordance with the succession plan approved by the Board of Directors.

Article 43. Chief Executive Officer

1. The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of the chairman thereof, after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee and with the favourable vote of at least two-thirds of the directors, may appoint one or more chief executive officers (consejeros delegados) with the powers it deems appropriate and which may be delegated pursuant to law and the Corporate Governance System.

2. In the event of vacancy, absence, illness, or incapacity of all of the chief executive officers, the duties entrusted thereto shall be temporarily assumed by the chairman of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, by the vice-chair or director designated in accordance with the provisions of section 6 of the preceding article, who shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors to deliberate and decide upon the appointment, if appropriate, of one or more new chief executive officers.

Article 44. Secretary and Deputy Secretary or Deputy Secretaries of the Board of Directors

- 1. The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of the chairman thereof and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, shall appoint a secretary, who need not be a director, and, if appropriate, one or more deputy secretaries, who also need not be directors, and who shall replace the secretary in the event of vacancy, absence, illness, or incapacity. The same procedure shall be followed to decide the removal of the secretary and, if applicable, each deputy secretary.
- 2. If there is more than one deputy secretary, the secretary of the Board of Directors shall be replaced by the corresponding one among them in accordance with the order established at the time of their appointment. In the absence of a secretary and deputy secretaries, the director that the Board of Directors itself appoints from among the attendees at the meeting in question shall serve as such.
- 3. The secretary of the Board of Directors shall perform the duties assigned thereto by law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 4. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, if applicable, the deputy secretary or one of the deputy secretaries if several, may also hold the position of general secretary if so decided by the Board of Directors, with the duties assigned thereto by the Corporate Governance System.

Article 45. Checks and Balances System: the Coordinating Director

- 1. The Corporate Governance System shall provide the measures necessary to ensure that neither the chairman of the Board of Directors, nor the Executive Committee, nor the chief executive officers have a decision-making power that is not subject to appropriate checks and balances.
- 2. The Board of Directors shall adopt the measures necessary to ensure that both the chairman of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee and the chief executive officers are under its effective supervision.
- 3. The appointment of an executive director as chairman of the Board of Directors shall require the favourable vote of at least two-thirds of the directors.

- 4. If the chairman of the Board of Directors has the status of executive director, the Board of Directors, upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee and with the abstention of the executive directors, must necessarily appoint from among the independent directors a coordinating director (consejero coordinador), who shall be especially empowered, when the coordinating director deems it appropriate, to:
 - a) Ask the chairman of the Board of Directors to call a meeting thereof and to participate with the chairman in the planning of the annual schedule of meetings.
 - b) Participate in the preparation of the agenda for each meeting of the Board of Directors and request the inclusion of matters on the agenda for meetings of the Board of Directors that have already been called.
 - c) Coordinate, meet with, and reflect the concerns of the non-executive directors.
 - d) Direct the periodic evaluation of the chairman of the Board of Directors and lead any process for the succession thereof.
- 5. The coordinating director may also maintain contacts with shareholders when so decided by the Board of Directors.

Chapter IV. Rules Applicable to Directors

Article 46. General Duties of Directors

- 1. The directors must carry out their office and comply with the duties imposed by law and the Corporate Governance System with the diligence of a prudent businessperson, taking into account the nature of the office and the duties attributed to each of them. The directors must also carry out their office with the loyalty of a faithful representative, acting in good faith and in the best interest of the Company.
- 2. The Regulations of the Board of Directors shall elaborate upon the specific obligations of directors stemming from the duties established by law, and particularly those of confidentiality, non-competition, and loyalty, with special focus on conflict of interest situations.
- 3. The Company may obtain an insurance policy that covers the civil liability of the directors in the performance of their duties.

Article 47. Term of Office

- 1. The directors shall serve in their position for a term of four years, so long as the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting do not resolve to remove them and they do not resign from their position.
- 2. The directors must submit their resignation from the position and formally resign from their position upon the occurrence of any of the instances of incompatibility, lack of competence, structural and permanent conflict of interest, or prohibition against performing the duties of director provided by law or the Corporate Governance System.
- 3. Directors may be re-elected to one or more terms of four years.

Article 48. Director Remuneration

- 1. The Company shall annually allocate as an expense an amount equal to a maximum of two per cent of consolidated group profits obtained during the preceding financial year for the following purposes:
 - a) To remunerate the directors, both for their status as such as well as for any executive duties, based on the offices held, and dedication to and attendance at meetings of the corporate decision-making bodies.
 - b) To endow a fund to meet the obligations of the Company regarding pensions, the payment of life insurance premiums, and the payment of severance compensation in favour of current and former directors.
- 2. In particular, in their status as such, the directors shall receive remuneration consisting of a fixed annual amount, attendance fees, and appropriate risk coverage benefits (death and disability). In the case of termination prior to the end of the period for which they were appointed, non-executive directors who are not proprietary directors shall have the right to receive a severance payment for non-competition unless their removal is due to a breach of the duties of director attributable thereto or to the sole decision thereof.
- 3. The amount, subject to the maximum limit of two per cent, may only accrue if profits for the preceding financial year are sufficient to cover legal and other mandatory reserves and if there has been an issuance to the shareholders of a dividend of at least four per cent of the share capital charged to the results of such financial year.
- 4. Independently of the provisions of the preceding sections, and subject always to the approval of the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting, the remuneration of directors may also consist of the delivery of shares or options thereon, as well as a payment based on the value of the Company's shares.

Article 49. Powers of Information and Inspection

- 1. A director shall have the broadest powers to obtain information regarding any aspect of the Company, to examine its books, records, documents, and other background information on corporate transactions, to inspect its facilities, and to communicate with the senior officers of the Company.
- 2. The exercise of the aforementioned powers shall be channelled through the secretary of the Board of Directors, who shall act on behalf of the chairman thereof pursuant to the provisions of the Corporate Governance System."

<u>D.- Amendment of the current Titles III and IV, which now become the new</u>

<u>Titles IV (Breakthrough of Restrictions in the Event of Takeover Bids) and V</u>

(Annual Accounts, Dissolution, and Liquidation), and elimination of the current Title V (Final Provisions).

In order to introduce technical improvements and to simplify the text thereof, it is hereby resolved:

- (a) to convert the current Title III of the By-Laws into the new Title IV;
- (b) to convert the current Title IV of the By-Laws into the new Title V, entitled "Annual Accounts, Dissolution, and Liquidation";
- (c) to restate the articles currently making up both titles, which shall hereafter read as reproduced below, and to eliminate the current Title V (Final Provisions):

"TITLE IV. BREAKTHROUGH OF RESTRICTIONS IN THE EVENT OF TAKEOVER BIDS

Article 50. Removal of Voting Limitations

The prohibition on voting for shareholders affected by conflicts established in article 28 above and the limitation on the maximum number of votes that may be cast by a single shareholder contained in sections 2 to 4 of article 29 above shall be deprived of effect upon the occurrence of the following circumstances:

- a) when the Company is the target of a takeover bid aimed at the share capital as a whole; and
- b) when, as a result of the takeover bid, an individual or a legal entity, or several of them acting in concert, acquire an interest equal to two-thirds of the voting share capital of the Company, provided the full consideration therefor consists only of cash; or, alternatively,

c) when, as a result of the takeover bid, an individual or a legal entity, or several of them acting in concert, acquire an interest equal to three-fourths of the voting share capital of the Company, provided that the consideration therefor consists, in whole or in part, of securities, without giving the recipient an alternative right to receive such consideration wholly in cash.

Article 51. Effectiveness of the Removal

- 1. The removal of the limitations mentioned in the preceding article shall be effective from the date of publication of the result of the settlement of the bid in the Listing Bulletin (Boletín de Cotización) of the Bilbao Stock Exchange.
- 2. The directors of the Company shall have the power, as well as the duty, to take the actions necessary to formalise the by-law amendment referred to in section 1 above and to seek registration thereof with the Commercial Registry.

Article 52. Amendments to Articles in Title IV and Related Provisions

All resolutions intended to eliminate or amend the provisions contained in this Title, in article 28, and in sections 2 to 4 of article 29 above shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the share capital present in person or by proxy at a General Shareholders' Meeting.

TITLE V. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS, DISSOLUTION, AND LIQUIDATION

Chapter I. Annual Accounts

Article 53. Financial Year and Preparation of Annual Accounts

- 1. The financial year shall commence on 1 January of each year and shall end on 31 December of each year.
- 2. Within the first three months of the year, the Board of Directors shall prepare the annual accounts, the management report, and the proposed allocation of profits or losses, and the consolidated annual accounts and management report for the previous financial year.

Article 54. Approval of Accounts and Allocation of Profits/Losses

- 1. The annual accounts of the Company and the consolidated annual accounts shall be submitted to the shareholders for approval at the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 2. The shareholders shall decide at the General Shareholders' Meeting upon the allocation of profits or losses for the financial year in accordance with the approved annual accounts.

- 3. If the shareholders resolve to distribute a dividend, they shall decide the time and form of payment thereof. The establishment of these standards and of any others that may be required or appropriate to carry out the resolution may be delegated to the Board of Directors.
- 4. The shareholders may resolve at the General Shareholders' Meeting that the dividend be paid totally or partially in kind, provided that the assets or securities to be distributed are homogeneous, they are admitted to trading on an official exchange at the time the resolution is made effective, or the Company duly guarantees the liquidity thereof within a maximum period of one year, and they are not distributed for a lesser value than the value set forth for them in the balance sheet of the Company. The same rule shall apply to a reduction in share capital due to a return of in-kind contributions.
- 5. The distribution of a dividend to shareholders shall be made in proportion to their paid-up share capital.

Chapter II. Dissolution and Liquidation of the Company

Article 55. Grounds for Dissolution

The Company shall be dissolved upon the occurrence of any of the events established by law.

Article 56. Liquidation of the Company

- 1. From the moment the Company declares itself to be in liquidation, the Board of Directors shall cease its duties and the directors shall become liquidators of the Company. They shall make up a collective body which shall be composed of an odd number of members. If necessary for such purpose, the director having the least length of service since appointment or, in case of equal length, the director who is younger, shall cease to hold office.
- 2. During the liquidation period, the provisions of these By-Laws governing the call to and holding of General Shareholders' Meetings shall be complied with, and the shareholders shall be informed of the progress of the liquidation, so that the shareholders may adopt such resolutions as they deem appropriate.
- 3. All liquidating operations shall be carried out with due observance of the provisions of law."

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Bilbao, 17 February 2015



ANNEX TO THE REPORT REGARDING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF THE COMPANY'S *BY-LAWS* INCLUDED IN ITEM EIGHT

BY-LAWS	BY-LAWS
TITLE I. THE COMPANY AND ITS SHARE CAPITAL	TITLE I. THE COMPANY AND, ITS SHARE CAPITAL, AND ITS SHAREHOLDERS
Chapter I. General Provisions	Chapter I. General Provisions
Article 1. Company Name and Applicable Rules; Corporate Governance System	Article 1. Company Name—and Applicable Rules; Corporate Governance System
1. The name of the company is IBERDROLA, S.A. (the "Company").	1.—The name of the company is IBERDROLA, S.A. (the "Company").
	Article 2. Applicable Legal Provisions and Corporate Governance System
2. The Company shall be governed by the legal provisions relating to companies and other applicable laws and regulations, as well as by its Corporate Governance System.	1. 2. The Company shall beis governed by the legal provisions relating to listed companies and other applicable laws and regulations, as well as by its Corporate Governance System.
	2. The Corporate Governance System is the Company's internal system of rules, configured in accordance with applicable law in the exercise of corporate autonomy supported thereby, and that applies to the entire group of companies controlled by the Company. It is intended to ensure through rule-making the best development of the corporate object of the Company, as an international business entity that operates in quite varied economic, legal, and social contexts, as well as the fulfilment of the corporate interest.



- 3. The Company's Corporate Governance System is made up of its *By-Laws*, the *Corporate Policies*, the internal corporate governance rules, and the other internal codes and procedures approved by the competent decision-making bodies of the Company.
- 3. -Company's Corporate Governance System is made up of itsthese By-Laws, the Corporate Policies, the internal corporate governance rules, and which include the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, Regulations of **Board** the Directors and those of its committees, and of the other procedures internal codes and competent approved by the decision-making bodies of the Company.
- 4. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting and the Board of Directors, within their respective purview, develop, apply, and interpret the rules making up the Corporate Governance System in order to ensure compliance at all times with the purposes thereof and, particularly, the fulfilment of the corporate interest.

Article 3. Corporate Interest and Ethical Principles

- 4. The Company shall pursue the achievement of its object, which is understood as the common interest of all shareholders of an independent company (sociedad anónima) and oriented towards the accomplishment of its corporate purpose, in accordance with the provisions of applicable law and its Corporate Governance System.
- 4. The Company shall pursue the achievement of its objectpursues the fulfilment of the corporate interest, which is understood as the common interest of all shareholders independent company (sociedad anónima) and oriented towards the accomplishment of its corporate purpose, in accordance with the provisions of sustainable exploitation of its corporate object and the creation of long-term value for the shareholders' benefit, taking into account other stakeholders related to its business activity and to its institutional reality, and especially the legitimate interests of the various communities and

	territories in which the Company
	acts and those of its employees.
	2. <u>The Company aspires for its</u>
	conduct and that of the persons
	connected therewith to conform and
	adhere not only to applicable law
	and its Corporate Governance
	System but also to ethical principles
	and generally accepted principles of
	social responsibility. The Board of
	Directors has for such purpose
	approved a Code of Ethics that
	includes this commitment under the
	By-Laws.
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Article 2. Object of the Company	Article 2.4. Object of the Company
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transmission, switching, and	transmission, switching, and
distribution or supply of electric	distribution or supply of electric
power or electricity by-products	power or electricity by-products
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engineering, information-	engineering, information-
technology, telecommunications,	technology, telecommunications,
and internet-related services; water	and internet-related services; water
treatment and distribution; the	treatment and distribution; the
integral provision of urban and gas	integral provision of urban and gas
supply, as well as other gas	supply, as well as other gas storage,
storage, regasification,	regasification, transportation, or
transportation, or distribution	
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	interests in other companies that
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c)	The investigation, study, and planning of investment and corporate organisation projects, as well as the promotion, creation, and development of industrial, commercial, or service companies.	c) The investigation, study, and planning of investment and corporate organisation projects, as well as the promotion, creation, and development of industrial, commercial, or service companies.
d)	The provision of services assisting or supporting companies and businesses in which it has an interest or which are within its corporate group, for which purpose it may provide appropriate guarantees and bonds in favour thereof.	d) The provision of services assisting or supporting companies and businesses in which it has an interest or which are within its corporate group, for which purpose it may provide appropriate guarantees and bonds in favour thereof.
2.	The aforementioned activities may be carried out in Spain as well as abroad, and may be carried out, in whole or in part, either directly by the Company or through the ownership of shares or equity interests in other companies, subject in all cases and at all times to applicable legal provisions for each industry, especially the electricity industry.	2. The aforementioned activities may be carried out in Spain as well as abroad, and may be carried out, in whole or in part, either directly by the Company or through the ownership of shares or equity interests in other companies, subject in all cases and at all times to applicable legal provisions for each industry, especially the electricity industry.
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indefin comm	enced on the date of formalisation of d of incorporation. e 4. Registered Office and	The duration of the Company shall beis indefinite, its operations having commenced on the date of formalisation of its deed of incorporation. Article 4.6. Registered Office—and Branches
	The registered office of the Company is in Bilbao, Biscay, at	1. The registered office of the Company is in Bilbao, (Biscay), at Plaza

	Plaza Euskadi número 5. The Company may establish branches, agencies, local offices, and delegations in Spain and abroad pursuant to applicable legal provisions.	n k a	Euskadi número 5. The Company nay establish branches, agencies, ocal offices, and delegations in Spain and abroad pursuant to applicable egal provisions.
2.	Such registered office may be transferred to another location within the same municipal area by resolution of the Board of Directors, which may also make decisions regarding the creation, elimination, or transfer of the branches, agencies, local offices, and delegations mentioned in the preceding section.	ti tl o a e	Such registered office may be ransferred to another location within the same municipal area by resolution of the Board of Directors, which may also make decisions regarding the preation, elimination, or transfer of the branches, agencies, local offices, and delegations mentioned in the preceding section.
		Arti	cle 7. The Iberdrola Group
		<u>h</u>	the Company is configured as a listed olding company and is the ontrolling entity of a multinational roup of companies (the "Group").
		st	the corporate and governance tructure of the Company is defined ased on the following:
		<u>a</u>	The Company has duties relating to the design of the Corporate Governance System and to the establishment, supervision, and implementation of the policies and strategies of the Group, of the basic guidelines for the management thereof, and of decisions on matters of strategic importance at the Group level.
		<u>b</u>	The country subholding companies, which are directly or indirectly subordinate to the Company, carry out the function of organisation and strategic coordination in those countries where the Board of Directors of

the Company so decides.
These entities, which group together equity stakes in the business subholding companies in the various countries in which the Group operates, are also responsible for disseminating, implementing, and ensuring compliance with the policies, strategies, and general guidelines of the Group in each of the countries in which it operates, taking into account the characteristics and unique aspects of such countries.
c) Finally, the business subholding companies of the Group are in charge of the day-to-day administration and effective management of each one of the Group's businesses within a country, as well as the day-to-day control thereof.
Article 8. Permanent Contact with
Permanent contact with its shareholders and ongoing attention to the transparency of corporate information and of relations with its shareholders and with the market generally, in accordance with the provisions of law and the Corporate Governance System, are primary objectives of the Company.
Article 9. Corporate Website
 The Company maintains a corporate website, envisaged as an instrument for channelling its relations with shareholders and investors, which is intended to foster their involvement in corporate life. Through the corporate website:

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		<u>a)</u>	shareholders and investors are
			provided with the documents
			and information required by
			<u>law</u> and the Corporate
			Governance System and other
			information deemed
			appropriate, taking into account
			the provisions of the preceding
			section;
		<u>b)</u>	shareholders are provided with
			the means to exercise the rights
			to receive information and to
			participation in the General
			Shareholders' Meeting
			recognised by law and by the
			Corporate Governance System;
			and
		<u>c)</u>	
		⇒	the rules making up the
			Corporate Governance System
			are published.
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- 3. The Company may at any time access the information needed to fully identify its shareholders, including addresses and means of contact for communication with them.
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- 4. Modifications to features of shares represented by book entries shall be published in the manner provided by law.
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Article 7. Unpaid Subscriptions

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- 1. If shares have not been entirely paid up, this circumstance shall be reflected in the corresponding book entry.
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- 2. Unpaid subscriptions must be paid at the time fixed by the Board of Directors, within a period of five years from the date of the resolution approving the capital increase. The form and other circumstances of the payment shall be governed by the provisions of the resolution approving the capital increase, which may provide for cash as well as non-cash contributions.
- 2. Unpaid subscriptions must be paid at the time fixed by the Board of Directors, within a period of five years from the date of the resolution approving the capital increase. The form and other circumstances of the payment shall be governed by the provisions of the resolution approving the capital increase, which may provide for cash as well as non-cash contributions.
- 3. A shareholder who is delinquent in the payment of unpaid subscriptions may not exercise the right to vote. amount The nominal of such shareholder's shall shares deducted from share capital for calculating a quorum. shareholder shall also not have the right to receive dividends or the preemptive right to subscribe for new shares or convertible debentures.
- A shareholder who is delinquent in the payment of unpaid subscriptions may not exercise the right to vote. The nominal amount of such shareholder's shares shall be deducted from share capital for calculating a quorum. Such shareholder shall also not have the right to receive dividends or the pre emptive right to subscribe for new shares or convertible debentures.

Once the amount of the unpaid subscriptions and interest thereon has been paid, the shareholder may make a claim for payment of unexpired dividends, but not pre-emptive rights if the period for the exercise thereof has already lapsed. Once the amount of the unpaid subscriptions and interest thereon has been paid, the shareholder may make a claim for payment of unexpired dividends, but not pre emptive rights if the period for the exercise thereof has already lapsed.

Article 8. Shareholder Status

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- 1. Each share of the Company confers upon its legitimate holder the status of shareholder, and vests such holder with the rights and obligations established by law and by the Company's Corporate Governance System.
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- 2. The shares are indivisible. Coowners of one or more shares must designate a single person for the exercise of shareholder rights, and shall be jointly and severally liable to the Company for all obligations arising from their status as shareholders.
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 information needed to fully identify
 its shareholders, including
 addresses and means of contact for
 communication with them.
- 3. In the case of beneficially-owned shares (usufructo de acciones), the bare owner shall be qualified as the designated shareholder, with the beneficial owner having the right in all cases to the dividends approved by the Company during the period of beneficial ownership.
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4.	In the event of a pledge of shares, the exercise of shareholder rights belongs to the owner thereof.	4. In the event of a pledge of shares, the exercise of shareholder rights belongs to the owner thereof.
		Chapter III. The Shareholders
		Article 13. Involvement of the Shareholders
		The Company shall foster continuous and appropriate information for its shareholders, permanent contact therewith, and their involvement in corporate life. For this purpose, the Board of Directors shall establish the channels for participation through which the Company will foster their involvement with appropriate guarantees and coordination mechanisms.
		Article 14. The Shareholders and the Corporate Governance System
		1. The ownership of shares entails consent to the Corporate Governance System and the duty to respect and comply with the legally adopted decisions of the governance bodies of the Company.
5.	Shareholders must exercise their rights vis-à-vis the Company and the other shareholders, and must comply with their duties, acting with loyalty, in good faith, and transparently, within the framework of the corporate interest as the paramount interest ahead of the private interest of each shareholder and in accordance with the Company's Corporate Governance System.	2. Shareholders must exercise their rights vis-à-vis the Company and the other shareholders, and must comply with their duties, acting with loyalty, in good faith, and transparently, within the framework of the corporate interest as the paramount interest ahead of the private interest of each shareholder and in accordance with the Company's Corporate Governance System.

- 6. Ownership of shares entails compliance with the Company's Corporate Governance System and submission to the lawfully-adopted decisions of the decision-making bodies and management of the Company.
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Chapter III. Increase and Reduction in Share Capital

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- 1. The share capital may be increased by resolution of the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting with the requirements established by law and in accordance with the various methods authorised thereby. The increase may be effected by the issuance of new shares or by an increase in the nominal value of existing shares, and the par of exchange for the increase may consist of cash or non-cash contributions to share capital, including the set-off of loans vis-àvis the Company or the conversion of reserves into share capital. The increase may be effected in part with a charge against new contributions and in part with a charge against reserves.
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- 2. Unless expressly provided otherwise in the resolution, if the increase in share capital is not fully subscribed within the period established for such purpose, the share capital shall be increased by the amount of the subscriptions made.
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Article 10. Authorised Share Capital

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- 1. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting may, accordance with the requirements established for amendment of the By-Laws and within the limits and conditions fixed by law, authorise the Board of Directors, with powers of substitution, if any, to approve an increase in share capital on one or more occasions. When shareholders delegate this power to the Board of Directors, they may also grant it the power to exclude pre-emptive rights with respect to the issuance of shares subject to the delegation, within the terms and subject to the requirements established by law.
- The shareholders acting at General Shareholders' Meeting may, in accordance with the requirements established for amendment of the By-Laws and within the limits and conditions fixed by law, authorise the Board of Directors, with powers of substitution, if any, to approve an increase in share capital on one or more occasions. When the shareholders delegate this power to the Board of Directors, they may also grant it the power to exclude pre-emptive rights with respect to the issuance of shares subject to the delegation, within the terms and subject to the requirements established by law.
- 2. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting may also delegate to the Board of Directors, with powers of substitution, if any, power to carry out previously-adopted resolution increase the share capital, within the periods set forth by law, indicating the date or dates of execution and establishing the conditions for the increase as to all matters provided for by the shareholders. The Board of Directors may make use of such delegation in whole or in part, or may refrain from using it, in view of market conditions, the condition of the Company itself, or any particularly relevant fact or circumstance that the Board believes justifies such decision. Such decision shall be reported to the shareholders at the first General Shareholders' Meeting held after the end of the period granted for the use of such delegation.
- The shareholders acting General Shareholders' Meeting may also delegate to the Board of Directors, with powers of substitution, if any, the power to carry out the previously-adopted resolution to increase the share capital, within the periods set forth by law, indicating the date or dates of execution and establishing the conditions for the increase as to all matters not provided for by the shareholders. The Board of Directors may make use of such delegation in whole or in part, or may refrain from using it, in view of market conditions, the condition of the Company itself, or any particularly relevant fact or circumstance that the Board believes justifies such decision. Such decision shall be reported to the shareholders at the first General Shareholders' Meeting held after the end of the period granted for the

use of such delegation.

Article 11. Pre-Emptive Rights, and the Exclusion Thereof

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- In the event of increases in share capital involving the issuance of new shares, whether ordinary or preferred, and with a charge to cash contributions, the shareholders of the Company may exercise the right to subscribe for a number of shares proportional to the nominal value of the shares they hold at that time, when permitted by law and within the period granted to them for this purpose by the Board of Directors. which shall not be less than fifteen (15) days from the publication of the announcement of the subscription offer for the new issuance in the Official Bulletin of the Commercial Registry (Boletín Oficial Registro Mercantil).
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- 2. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting applicable, the Board of Directors, may, in furtherance of the corporate interest, exclude pre-emptive rights in whole or in part in such cases and under such conditions as provided by law. In particular, the corporate interest may justify the exclusion of pre-emptive rights when needed to facilitate the placement of new shares in markets that will allow access to sources of financing; fundraising by using book-building techniques capable of maximising the issue price per share; the inclusion of certain shareholders; the implementation of remuneration programmes covering directors, officers, or employees;
- The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting or, if applicable, the Board of Directors, may, in furtherance of the corporate interest, exclude preemptive rights in whole or in part in such cases and under such conditions as are provided by law. In particular, the corporate interest may justify the exclusion of preemptive rights when needed to facilitate the placement of new shares in markets that will allow access to sources of financing; fundraising by using book-building techniques capable of maximising the issue price per share; the inclusion of certain shareholders; the implementation of remuneration programmes covering directors,

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- officers, or employees; and in general, the performance of any transaction that is advisable for the Company.
- 3. Pre-emptive rights shall not apply when the share capital increase is made with a charge to non-cash contributions or when it is due to the conversion of debentures into shares or the takeover of another company or all or a portion of the split-off assets of another company.
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Article 12. Reduction in Share Capital

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- 1. In accordance with the procedures established by law, a reduction in share capital may be carried out by means of a reduction in the nominal value of shares, a retirement of shares, or a pooling thereof in order to exchange them and, in all cases, the purpose thereof may be to return contributions, cancel unpaid subscriptions, create or increase reserves, re-establish equilibrium between the share capital and the assets of the Company diminished due to losses, or several of such purposes simultaneously.
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- 2. In the event of a reduction in share capital in order to return contributions, payment to the shareholders may be made totally or partially in kind, provided that the conditions set forth in article 61.5 below have been met.
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- 3. In accordance with the provisions of law, the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting may resolve to reduce the share capital in order to retire a particular group of
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shares, provided that such group is defined based on substantive. homogeneous, and nondiscriminatory criteria. In such event, the measure must be approved by majority vote of the shareholders pertaining to the affected group as well as by majority vote of the rest of the shareholders remaining with the Company. The amount to be paid by the Company may not be less than the arithmetic mean of the closing prices of the Company's shares on the Continuous Market of the Stock Exchanges during the month prior to the adoption of the resolution reducing the share capital.

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Chapter IV. Issuance of Debentures and Other Securities

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1. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting may, as provided by law, delegate to the Board of Directors the power to issue simple or convertible and/or exchangeable debentures. The Board of Directors may make use of such delegation on one or more occasions during a maximum period of five (5)

2. In addition, the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting may authorise the Board of Directors to determine the time at which the approved issuance should take place, as well as to set other conditions not provided for in the shareholders' resolution.

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- 2. In addition, the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting may authorise the Board of Directors to determine the time at which the approved issuance should take place, as well as to set other conditions not provided for in the shareholders' resolution.

Article 14. Convertible and/or Exchangeable Debentures		Article 14. Convertible and/or Exchangeable Debentures
1.	Convertible and/or exchangeable debentures may be issued with a fixed (determined or determinable) or variable exchange ratio.	1. Convertible and/or exchangeable debentures may be issued with a fixed (determined or determinable) or variable exchange ratio.
2.	The resolution authorising issuance shall provide whether the power to convert or exchange belongs to the debenture-holder and/or the Company or, if applicable, whether the conversion or exchange will occur automatically at a particular time.	2. The resolution authorising issuance shall provide whether the power to convert or exchange belongs to the debenture-holder—and/or—the Company or, if applicable, whether the conversion or exchange will occur automatically at a particular time.
		TITLE II. THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING
Arti	cle 15. Other Securities	Article 15. Other Securities The General Shareholders' Meeting
1.	The Company may issue notes, warrants, preferred shares, and other negotiable securities different from the ones provided for in the preceding articles.	1. The Company may issue notes, warrants, preferred shares, and other negotiable securities different from the ones provided for in the preceding articles.
2.	The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting may delegate to the Board of Directors the power to issue such securities. The Board of Directors may make use of such delegation on one or more occasions during a maximum period of five (5) years.	2. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting may delegate to the Board of Directors the power to issue such securities. The Board of Directors may make use of such delegation on one or more occasions during a maximum period of five (5) years.
3.	The shareholders may also authorise the Board of Directors to determine the time at which the approved issuance should be carried out, as well as to set other terms not provided for in the shareholders' resolution, upon the terms provided	3. The shareholders may also authorise the Board of Directors to determine the time at which the approved issuance should be carried out, as well as to set other terms not provided for in the shareholders' resolution, upon the

by law.	terms provided by law.
4. The Company may also provide a guarantee of securities issued by its subsidiaries.	4. The Company may also provide a guarantee of securities issued by its subsidiaries.
TITLE II. GOVERNANCE OF THE COMPANY	TITLE II. GOVERNANCE OF THE COMPANY
Chapter I. The General Shareholders' Meeting	Chapter I. The General Shareholders' Meeting
Article 16. The General Shareholders' Meeting	Article 16. The General Shareholders' Meeting
1. The shareholders, meeting at a duly called General Shareholders' Meeting, shall decide, by the majorities required in each case, on the matters within their power, in accordance with law and the Company's Corporate Governance System.	1. The shareholders, meeting at a duly called General Shareholders' Meeting, shall decide, by the majorities required in each case, on the matters within their power, and in accordance with law and the Company's Corporate Governance System, on the matters within their power.
2. Resolutions that are duly adopted at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall bind all shareholders, including shareholders who are absent, dissenting, abstain from voting, or lack the right to vote, without prejudice to the rights they may have to challenge such resolutions.	2. Resolutions that are duly adopted at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall bind all shareholders, including shareholders who are absent, dissenting, abstain from voting, or lack the right to vote, without prejudice to the rights they may have to challenge such resolutions.
3. The General Shareholders' Meeting is governed by the provisions of law, these <i>By-Laws</i> , the <i>Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting</i> , and other applicable provisions of the Corporate Governance System.	3. The General Shareholders' Meeting is governed by the provisions of law, these <i>By-Laws</i> , the <i>Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting</i> ,—and other applicable provisions of the Corporate Governance System, and other implementing rules approved by the Board of Directors within the scope of its powers.

	Article 16. Participation of the Shareholders
	The Board of Directors shall adopt appropriate measures to encourage maximum participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, including, if appropriate, the payment of attendance bonuses pursuant to a predefined and public policy.
Article 17. Powers of the Shareholders Acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting	Article 17. Powers of the Shareholders Acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting
1. The shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall decide the matters assigned thereto by law or the Corporate Governance System, and particularly regarding the following:	1. The shareholders <u>acting</u> at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall decide the matters assigned thereto by law—or, the Regulations for the General Shareholders' <u>Meeting</u> , or other rules of the Corporate Governance System, and particularly regarding the following:
a) The approval of the annual accounts, the allocation of profits or losses, and the approval of corporate management.	(i) a) The approval of the annual accounts, the allocation of profits or losses, and the approval of corporate management.
b) The appointment, re-election, and removal of directors, as well as the ratification of directors designated by interim appointment to fill vacancies.	(ii) b)—The appointment, re- election, and removal of directors, as well as the ratification of directors designated by interim appointment to fill vacancies.
	(iii) The approval of the director remuneration policy.
	(iv) The approval of the establishment of systems for remuneration of the Company's directors consisting of the delivery of

			shares or of rights therein or remuneration based on the value of the shares.
		<u>(v)</u>	Relieving the directors from the prohibitions arising from the duty of loyalty, when authorisation is attributed by law to the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, as well as from the obligation not to compete with the Company.
c)	The appointment, re-election, and removal of the auditor.	<u>(vi)</u>	e)—The appointment, reelection, and removal of the auditor.auditors.
d)	The amendment of the <i>By-Laws</i> .	<u>(vii)</u>	d)—The amendment of the these By-Laws.
		(viii)	An increase or reduction in share capital.
e)	An increase or reduction in share capital, as well as the delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to increase share capital, in which case it may also grant thereto the power to exclude or limit preemptive rights, upon the terms established by law.	<u>(ix)</u>	e) An increase or reduction in share capital, as well as the The delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to increase share capital, in which case it may also grant thereto the power to exclude or limit pre-emptive rights, upon the terms established by law.
		<u>(x)</u>	The delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to carry out a capital increase already approved by the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting, within the periods set forth by law, indicating the date or dates of execution and establishing the conditions for the increase as to all matters not provided for by the shareholders. In this case, the

		Board of Directors may make use of such delegation in whole or in part, or may refrain from using it, in view of market conditions or the condition of the Company itself, or of particularly relevant facts or circumstances that justify such decision, and shall report thereon to the shareholders at the first General Shareholders' Meeting held after the end of the period granted for the use of such delegation.
f)	The exclusion or limitation of pre- emptive rights.	(xi) The exclusion or limitation of pre-emptive rights.
		(xii) The authorisation for the derivative acquisition of the Company's own shares.
g)	The transformation, merger, split- off, or overall assignment of assets and liabilities, and the transfer of the registered office abroad.	(xiii) g)—The transformation, merger, split-off, or overall assignment of assets and liabilities, and the transfer of the registered office abroad.
h)	The dissolution of the Company.	(xiv) h)—The dissolution of the Company and the appointment and removal of the liquidators.
i)	The approval of the final liquidating balance sheet.	(xv) i)—The approval of the final liquidating balance sheet.
j)	The approval of the establishment of systems for remuneration of the Company's directors and senior officers, consisting of the delivery of shares or of rights therein, or remuneration that takes as its reference the value of the shares.	j) The approval of the establishment of systems for remuneration of the Company's directors and senior officers, consisting of the delivery of shares or of rights therein, or remuneration that takes as its reference the value of the shares.

k)	The issuance of debentures and other negotiable securities and the delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to issue them.	(xvi) k)—The issuance of debentures and other negotiable securities and the delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to issue them, as well as the power to exclude or limit preemptive rights, upon the terms established by law.
1)	The authorisation for the derivative acquisition of the Company's own shares.	(xvii) 1) The authorisation for the derivative acquisition of the Company's own shares The exercise of derivative liability actions against directors, auditors, and liquidators.
m)	The approval and amendment of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting.	(xviii) m)—The approval and amendment of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting.
		(xix) The transfer to controlled entities of core activities that were previously carried out by the Company itself, even if it retains full ownership of such entities;
		(xx) The acquisition, transfer, or contribution of key assets from or to another company.
		(xxi) The approval of transactions having an effect equivalent to liquidation of the Company.
2.	In addition, the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall decide any matter that is submitted to them by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders in the cases provided by law or that	2. In addition, the The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall also decide on any matter that is submitted to them by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders in the cases provided

falls within their power pursuant to law or the Company's Corporate Governance System. by law or that falls within their power pursuant to law or the Company's the shareholders submit for their consideration, upon the terms and with the requirements established by law and the Corporate Governance System.

Article 18. Annual and Extraordinary General Shareholders' Meeting

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- 1. The shareholders acting at an annual General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall be previously called for such purpose, must meet within the first six (6) months of each financial year in order to review corporate management, approve the annual accounts for the prior financial year, if appropriate, and decide upon the allocation of profits or losses from such financial year. Resolutions may also be adopted at the annual General Shareholders' Meeting regarding any other matter within the power of the shareholders, provided that such matter appears on the agenda of the call to meeting or is legally appropriate and that the General Shareholders' Meeting has been convened with the required share capital in attendance.
- The shareholders acting at an annual General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall be previously called for such purpose, must meet within the first six (6) months of each financial vear in order to review corporate management, approve the annual accounts for the prior financial year. if appropriate, and decide upon the allocation of profits or losses from such financial year. Resolutions may also be adopted at the annual General Shareholders' Meeting regarding any other matter within the power of the shareholders, provided that such matter appears on the agenda of the call to meeting or is legally appropriate and that the General Shareholders' Meeting has been convened with the required share capital in attendance.
- 2. Any General Shareholders' Meeting not provided for in the preceding section shall be deemed an extraordinary General Shareholders' Meeting.
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Article 19. Call to the General Shareholders' Meeting

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- 1. The General Shareholders' Meeting must be formally called by the Board of Directors through an
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announcement published as much in advance as required by law.	announcement published as much in advance as required by law.
The announcement of the call to meeting shall be disseminated through the following media, at a minimum:	2. The announcement of the call to meeting shall be disseminated through the following media, at a minimum:
a) The Official Bulletin of the Commercial Registry or one of the more widely circulated newspapers in Spain.	a) The Official BulletinGazette of the Commercial Registry (Boletín Oficial del Registro Mercantil) or one of the more widely circulated newspapers in Spain.
b) The website of the National Securities Market Commission (Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores).	b) The website of the National Securities Market Commission (Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores).
c) The Company's corporate website.	c) The Company's corporate website.
The announcement published on the Company's corporate website shall be accessible on an uninterrupted basis until at least the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting.	The announcement published on the Company's corporate website shall be accessible on an uninterrupted basis until at least the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting.
2. The Board of Directors must call a General Shareholders' Meeting in the following events:	2. The Board of Directors must call a General Shareholders' Meeting in the following events:
a) In the event set forth in article 18.1 above.	a) In the event set forth in article 18.1 above.
b) If the meeting is requested, in the manner provided for by law, by shareholders holding or representing at least five (5%) per cent of the share capital, which request sets forth the matters to be dealt with. In this event, the Board of Directors shall call for the General Shareholders' Meeting to be held within the statutorily prescribed deadline. The Board of Directors must include the	b) If the meeting is requested, in the manner provided for by law, by shareholders holding or representing at least five (5%) per cent of the share capital, which request sets forth the matters to be dealt with. In this event, the Board of Directors shall call for the General Shareholders' Meeting to be held within the statutorily prescribed deadline. The Board of Directors must include the

requested matters in the agenda of the call to meeting.

- requested matters in the agenda of the call to meeting.
- When a takeover bid is made for c) the securities of the Company, in order to report to the shareholders regarding such takeover bid and to deliberate and decide upon the submitted for consideration. Any shareholder or shareholders owning voting shares representing at least one (1%) per cent of share capital shall have the right to request the inclusion of matters in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting that must be called for this purpose.
- when a takeover bid is made for the securities of the Company, in order to report to the shareholders regarding such takeover bid and to deliberate and decide upon the matters submitted for their consideration. Any shareholder or shareholders owning voting shares representing at least one (1%) per cent of share capital shall have the right to request the inclusion of matters in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting that must be called for this purpose.
- 3. The announcement of the call to meeting must contain all statements required by law under such circumstance and must set forth the day, place, and time of the meeting upon first call and all matters to be dealt with. The announcement may also, if appropriate, set forth the date on which the General Shareholders' Meeting shall proceed upon second call.
- 3. The announcement of the call to meeting must contain all statements required by law under such circumstance and must set forth the day, place, and time of the meeting upon first call and all matters to be dealt with. The announcement may also, if appropriate, set forth the date on which the General Shareholders' Meeting shall proceed upon second call.
- 4. Shareholders representing at least five (5%) per cent of the share capital may request the publication of a supplement to the call to the General Shareholders' Annual Meeting including one or more items in the agenda of the call to meeting, so long as the new items are accompanied by a rationale or, if applicable, by a duly substantiated proposal for a resolution, and submit well-founded proposed resolutions regarding matters already included or that should be included in the agenda of the call to meeting of the
- 4. Shareholders representing at least five (5%) per cent of the share capital may request the publication of a supplement to the call to the Annual General Shareholders' Meeting including one or more items in the agenda of the call to meeting, so long as the new items are accompanied by a rationale or, if applicable, by a duly substantiated proposal for a resolution, and submit well-founded proposed resolutions regarding matters already included or that should be included in the

General Shareholders' Meeting being called.	agenda of the call to meeting of the General Shareholders' Meeting being called.
5. The shareholder's rights mentioned in the preceding sections 2.b), 2.c), and 4 must be exercised by duly authenticated notice that must be sent to the Company's registered office and which, in the latter two cases, must be received within five (5) days of the publication of the call to meeting. The supplement to the call to meeting mentioned in such sub-sections must be published within the statutorily prescribed deadline.	5. The shareholder's rights mentioned in the preceding sections 2.b), 2.e), and 4 must be exercised by duly authenticated notice that must be sent to the Company's registered office and which, in the latter two cases, must be received within five (5) days of the publication of the call to meeting. The supplement to the call to meeting mentioned in such sub-sections must be published within the statutorily prescribed deadline.
6. The shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting may not deliberate on or decide matters that are not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, unless otherwise provided by law.	6. The shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting may not deliberate on or decide matters that are not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, unless otherwise provided by law.
7. The Board of Directors may require that a notary public attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and prepare the minutes thereof. In any event, the Board of Directors must request the presence of a notary public under the circumstances provided by law.	7. The Board of Directors may require that a notary public attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and prepare the minutes thereof. In any event, the Board of Directors must request the presence of a notary public under the circumstances provided by law.
8. The Board of Directors is authorised to adopt appropriate measures to encourage the participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, including the payment of attendance fees.	8. The Board of Directors is authorised to adopt appropriate measures to encourage the participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, including the payment of attendance fees.
Article 20. Shareholders' Right to Receive Information	Article 20,19. Shareholders' Right to Receive Information
1. From the date of publication of the	1. From the date of publication of the

call to the General Shareholders' Meeting through and including the seventh day prior to the date provided for the first call to meeting, the shareholders may request in the information writing or clarifications that they deem are required, or ask written questions that they deem pertinent, regarding the matters contained in the agenda of the call to meeting. In addition, upon the same prior notice and in the same manner, the shareholders may request information or clarifications or ask written questions regarding information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Market Commission since holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting and regarding the audit report.

- call to the General Shareholders' Meeting through and including the seventh fifth day prior to the date provided set for the meeting to be held on first call to meeting, the shareholders may request in writing the information or clarifications that they deem are required, or ask the written questions that they deem pertinent relevant, regarding (i) the matters contained in the agenda offor the call to meeting. In addition, upon the same prior notice and in the same manner, the shareholders may request information or clarifications or ask written questions regardingmeeting; (ii) information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Market Commission since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting. and regarding(iii) the audit report.
- 2 During the course of the General Shareholders' Meeting. shareholders may verbally request the information or clarifications that they deem appropriate regarding the matters contained in the agenda or the information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Commission Market since holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting and regarding the audit report.
- 2. During the course of the General Shareholders' Meeting, shareholders may verbally request the information or clarifications that they deem appropriate regarding the matters contained in the agenda or the information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Market Commission since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting and regarding the audit reportset forth in the preceding section.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall be required to provide the information requested pursuant to the two preceding sections in the form and within the period provided by law
- 3. The Board of Directors shall be required to provide the information requested pursuant to the two preceding sections in the form and within the period provided by law

the Company's Corporate and Governance System, except in cases in which it is improper or untimely. including, specifically, those cases in which, in the opinion of publication the chairman. of information might prejudice the corporate interest. This last exception shall not apply when the request is supported by shareholders representing at least one-fourth (1/4) of the share capital.

and the Company's Corporate Governance Systemperiods set forth in the law, in these By-Laws, and in the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, except in cases in which it is improper or untimely, including, specifically, those cases in which, in the opinion of the chairman, unnecessary for the protection of shareholder rights, there are objective reasons to believe that it might be used for ultra vires purposes, or that publication of the information might prejudice the corporate interest. This last exception shall not apply when Company or related companies. The information requested may not be denied if the request is supported shareholders representing at least one-fourth (1/4) twenty-five per cent of the share capital.

- 4. The call to the General Shareholders' Meeting shall set forth the means whereby any shareholder may obtain from the Company, without charge and on an immediate basis, the documents that must be submitted for approval bv shareholders at such General Shareholders' Meeting, as well as, if applicable, the management report and the audit report.
- The announcement of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting shall set forthstate the means whereby any shareholder may obtain from the Company, without charge and on an immediate basis. the documents that must submitted for the approval byof the shareholders at such Shareholders' Meeting, as well as, applicable, the management report and the audit report.
- 5. When the shareholders are to deal with an amendment to the *By-Laws*, besides the statements required by law in each case, the announcement of the call to meeting must make clear the right of all shareholders to examine at the Company's registered office the complete text of the
- with an amendment to the *By-Laws*, besides the statements required by law in each case, the announcement of the call to meeting must make clear the right of all shareholders to examine at the Company's registered office the complete text

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thereon and to	dment and the report or request that such delivered or sent to harge.	of the proposed amendment and the report thereon and to request that such documents be delivered or sent to them without charge.
requires, such additional doc	n which the law so a information and cumentation as is be made available to s.	5. 6. In all cases in which the law so requires, such The Company shall make available to its shareholders the information and additional documentation as is mandatory shall be made available to the shareholders required by the provisions of law and the Corporate Governance System.
		Article 20. Place of the Meeting
		The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be held at the place indicated in the call to meeting within the municipal territory of Bilbao.
Article 21. Establish for the General Shar	-	Article 21. Establishment of a Quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting
shall be validly minimum quort taking into a	hareholders' Meeting restablished with the um required by law, ecount the matters he agenda of the call	1. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be validly established with the minimum quorum required by law, taking into account the matters appearing on the agenda of the call to meeting.

Company, and the amendment of this section 2.	Company, and the amendment of this section 2.
3. The absence of shareholders occurring once a quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting has been established shall not affect the validity of the meeting.	3. The absence of shareholders occurring once a quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting has been established shall not affect the validity of the meeting.
4. If the attendance of shareholders representing a particular percentage of share capital or the consent of specific interested shareholders is required pursuant to applicable legal or by-law provisions in order to validly adopt a resolution regarding one or more items on the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting, and such percentage is not reached or such shareholders are not present in person or by proxy, the shareholders shall limit themselves to deliberating and deciding regarding those items on the agenda that do not require such percentage of share capital or the presence of such shareholders.	4. If the attendance of shareholders representing a particular minimum percentage of share capital or the consent of specific interested shareholders is required pursuant to applicable legal or by-law provisions law or the Corporate Governance System in order to validly adopt a resolution regarding one or more items on the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting, and such percentage is not reached or such shareholders are not present in person or by proxy, the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting shall limit themselves to deliberating and deciding regardingon those items on the agenda that do not require such percentage of share capital or the presence consent of such shareholders.
Article 22. Right to Attend	Article 22. Right to Attend
1. The holders of voting shares may attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and take part in deliberations thereof, with the right to be heard and to vote.	 The holders of at least one voting sharesshare may attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and take part in deliberations thereof, with the right to be heard and to vote. The General Shareholders' Meeting may be attended by going to the place where the meeting is held or,
	if so indicated in the call to

meeting, to other places provided for such purpose by the Company and that are connected with the principal meeting place by systems that allow recognition and identification of the parties attending. permanent communication among the attendees regardless of their location, and participation and voting, all in real time. Attendees at any of such places shall be considered to be attendees at the same individual meeting, which shall be deemed to have been held at the principal location thereof. 2 In order to exercise the right to 2.—In order to exercise the right to attend, shareholders must cause the attend, shareholders must cause the shares to be registered in their name shares to be registered in their name in the corresponding bookin the corresponding book-entry entry register at least five (5) days register at least five (5)-days prior prior to the day on which the to the day on which the General Shareholders' Meeting is to be held. General Shareholders' Meeting is This circumstance must be to be held. This circumstance must evidenced with the appropriate be evidenced with the appropriate attendance, proxy, and absentee attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card, validation certificate, voting card, validation certificate, or other valid form of verification or other valid form of verification accepted by the Company. accepted by the Company. 3. The members of the Board of The members of the Board of Directors must attend the General Directors must attend the General Shareholders' Meeting. Shareholders' Meeting. The The absence of any of them shall not absence of any of them shall not affect the validity of the General affect the validity of the General Shareholders' Meeting. Shareholders' Meeting. of 4 The chair the General The chair of the 4. General Shareholders' Meeting may Shareholders' Meeting may authorise the attendance thereat of authorise the attendance thereat of officers, technical personnel, and officers. technical other persons related to personnelemployees, and other Company. The chair may also persons related to the Company. grant access thereto to the media, The chair may also grant access financial analysts, and to any other person the chair deems appropriate, although the shareholders acting thereat may revoke such authorisation. thereto to the media, to financial analysts, and to any other person the chair deems appropriate, as well as authorise the simultaneous or delayed broadcast thereof, although the shareholders acting thereat may revoke such authorisation.

Article 23. Right to Proxy Representation

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- 1. All shareholders having the right to attend may be represented at the General Shareholders' Meeting by proxy through another person, whether or not such person is a shareholder, by complying with the requirements of law and the Company's Corporate Governance System.
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- 2. Proxies must be given in writing or by postal or electronic correspondence, in which case the provisions of article 28 below for the issuance of absentee votes shall apply to the extent applicable.
- 2. Proxies must be given in writing or by postal or electronic correspondence, in which case the provisions of article 2827 below for the issuance casting of absentee votes shall apply to the extent applicable.
- 3. Proxy and voting instructions of shareholders acting through brokers, representatives, or depositaries shall be governed by the provisions of the Company's Corporate Governance System, without prejudice to the regulations applicable the to relations between financial intermediaries and their customers for purposes of the exercise of the rights to grant a proxy and to vote pursuant to law.
- Proxy and voting instructions of shareholders acting through brokers. representatives, depositaries shall be governed by the provisions of law and the Company's Corporate Governance System, without prejudice to the regulations applicable to the relations between financial intermediaries and their customers for purposes of the exercise of the rights to grant a proxy and to vote pursuant to law. .
- 4. In cases of absence of identification of the proxy-holder, absence of
- 4. In cases of absence of identification of the proxy-holder, absence of

express instructions for the exercise of voting rights, items not included on the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting, or a conflict of interest affecting the proxy-holder, the rules established in this regard in the Company's Corporate Governance System shall apply.

- express instructions for the exercise of voting rights, <u>submission of</u> items not included on the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting, or a conflict of interest affecting the proxyholder, the rules established in this regard in the <u>Company's</u> Corporate Governance System shall apply.
- 5. The chairman and the secretary of the Board of Directors or the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation therefrom, shall have the broadest powers to verify the identity of the shareholders and their representatives, verify ownership and status of their rights, and recognise the validity of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting document media or evidencing attendance or representation by proxy.
- The chairman and the secretary of the Board of Directors or the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation therefrom, shall have the broadest powers to verify from either of them, shall be responsible for verifying identity of the shareholders and their representatives, verifyverifying the ownership and status of their rights. recognise recognising the validity of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting documentcard or mediathe <u>instrument</u> evidencing attendance or representation by proxy.
- 6. A proxy is always revocable. Attendance by the shareholder granting the proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting, whether in person or due to having cast an absentee vote on a date subsequent to that of the proxy, shall have the effect of revoking the proxy.
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 Attendance by the shareholder granting the proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting, whether in person or due to having cast an absentee vote on a date subsequent to that of the proxy, shall have the effect of revoking the proxy.

Article 24. Place and Time of the Meeting

Article 24. Place and Time of Presiding Committee, Chair of, and Secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be held at the place indicated in the call to meeting in any
- The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be held at the place indicated in the call to meeting in any

municipality within the Historical Territory of Biscay.

municipality within the Historical Territory of Biscay. Presiding Committee (Mesa) of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be made up of the chair of and the for the General secretary Shareholders' Meeting and the other members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting. Without prejudice to other powers that may be assigned thereto by these By-Laws or the Corporate Governance System, the Presiding Committee shall assist the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting in carrying out the duties thereof.

- 2 The General Shareholders' Meeting may be attended by going to the place where the meeting is to be held or, if applicable, to other places provided by the Company and indicated in the call to meeting, and that are connected therewith by any valid systems that allow recognition and identification of the parties attending, permanent communication among the attendees regardless of their location, and participation and voting, all in real time. The principal place of the meeting must be located in the municipality of the Historical Territory of Biscay indicated in the call to meeting, but supplemental locations need not be so located. For all purposes relating to the General Shareholders' Meeting, attendees at any of the sites shall be deemed attendees at the same individual meeting. The meeting shall be deemed to have been held at the principal location thereof.
- The General Shareholders' Meeting may be attended by going to the place where the meeting is to be held or, if applicable, to other places provided by the Company and indicated in the call to meeting. and that are connected therewith by any valid systems that allow recognition and identification of the parties attending, permanent communication among attendees regardless of their location, and participation and voting, all in real time. The principal place of the meeting must be located in the municipality of the Historical Territory of Biscay indicated in the call to meeting, but supplemental locations need not be so located. For all purposes relating to the General Shareholders' Meeting, attendees at any of the sites shall be deemed attendees at the same individual meeting. The meeting shall be deemed to have been held at the principal location thereof.

- 3. If no place is indicated in the call to meeting, it shall be deemed that the meeting will take place at the Company's registered office.
- 3. If no place is indicated in the call to meeting, it shall be deemed that the meeting will take place at the Company's registered office.
- 4. The shareholders may, provided that there are good reasons for such purpose, approve a continuation of the meeting for one or more consecutive days at the proposal of chair ofthe the General Shareholders' Meeting, a majority of the directors attending the meeting, or at the request of a number of shareholders representing at least one fourth (1/4) of the share capital. Regardless of the number sessions, the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be deemed to be a single meeting, and a single set of minutes shall be prepared for all of the sessions. The shareholders may temporarily suspend meeting under the circumstances and in the manner set forth in the Regulations the General for Shareholders' Meeting.
- The shareholders may, provided that there are good reasons for such purpose, approve a continuation of the meeting for one or more consecutive days at the proposal of the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, a majority of the directors attending the meeting, or at the request of a number of shareholders representing at least one fourth (1/4) of the share capital. Regardless of the number of sessions, the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be deemed to be a single meeting, and a single set of minutes shall be prepared for all of the sessions. The shareholders may also temporarily suspend the meeting under the circumstances and in the manner set forth in the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 25. Chair, Secretary, and Presiding Committee of the General Shareholders' Meeting

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- 1. The chairman of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof. the vice-chair, shall act as chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting. If there are several vice-chairs, they shall act in the order set forth in article 47.5 below. In the absence of all of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee (*Mesa*) shall act as chair General Shareholders' of the Meeting.
- 1. The chairman of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, the vice-chair, shall act as chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting. If there are several vice-chairs, they shall act in the order set forth in article 47.542.6 below. In the absence of all of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee (Mesa) shall act as chair of the General Shareholders'

Meeting.

- 2. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, the deputy secretary of the Board of Directors, shall act as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting. If there are several deputy secretaries, the order set forth in article 49.2 below shall apply. In the absence of all of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall act as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 2. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, the deputy secretary of the Board of Directors, shall act as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting. there are several deputy secretaries, the order set forth in article 49.244.2 below shall apply. In the absence of all of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall act secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- The Presiding Committee shall be made up of the chair of and the for General secretary the Shareholders' Meeting and the other members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting. Without prejudice to other powers that may be assigned thereto by these By-Laws or the Corporate Governance System, the Presiding Committee shall assist the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, at the chair's request, in carrying out the duties thereof.
- The Presiding Committee shall be made up of the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the other members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting. Without prejudice to other powers that may be assigned thereto by these By-Laws or the Corporate Governance System, the Presiding Committee shall assist the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, at the chair's request, in carrying out the duties thereof.

Article 26. List of Attendees

Article 26.25. List of Attendees

- 1. Once the Presiding Committee has been formed, and prior to beginning with the agenda of the call to meeting, a list of attendees shall be prepared that sets forth the nature or representation of each attendee and the number of their own or other parties' shares present. At the end of there shall the list. be determination of the number of shareholders present (including those casting an absentee vote) in person
- 1. Once the Presiding Committee has been formed, and prior Prior to beginning with the agenda offor the call to meeting, a list of attendees shall be prepared that sets forth the nature or representation of each attendee and the number of their own or other parties' shares present. At the end of the list, there shall be a determination of the number of shareholders present (including those casting an absentee vote) in

or by proxy at the meeting, as well as the amount of share capital they own, with a specification as to which capital corresponds to shareholders with the right to vote. person or by proxy at the meeting, as well as the amount of share capital they own, with a specification as to which capital corresponds to shareholders with the right to vote. shares they own or represent by proxy.

- Once the list has been prepared, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall declare whether or not the requirements for the valid formation of a General Shareholders' Meeting have been Immediately thereafter, appropriate, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall declare the General Shareholders' Meeting to be validly convened. Questions or claims arising with respect to these matters shall be resolved by the chair the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- Once the list has been prepared, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall declare whether or not the requirements for the valid formation of a General Shareholders' Meeting have been met. Immediately thereafter, if appropriate, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall declare the General Shareholders' Meeting to be validly convened. Questions or claims arising with respect to these matters preparation of the list of attendees and compliance with the requirements for a valid quorum at the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be resolved by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting. thereof.
- 3. If the Company requests a notary public to prepare the minutes of the meeting, the notary public shall ask the shareholders and make clear in the minutes whether there are reservations or objections regarding the statements of the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting in connection with the number of shareholders in attendance and the share capital present in person or by proxy.
- 3. If the Company requests a notary public to prepare the minutes of the meeting, the notary public shall ask the shareholders and make clear in the minutes whether there are reservations or objections regarding the statements of the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting in connection with the number of shareholders in attendance and the share capital present in person or by proxy.

Article 27. Deliberations and Voting

Article 27.26. Deliberations and Voting

- 1. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall: direct the meeting such that deliberations are carried out pursuant to the agenda; accept or reject new proposals relating to matters on the agenda; organise and direct the deliberations, granting the floor to shareholders who so request it and taking the floor away or refusing to grant it when the chair deems that a particular matter has been sufficiently debated, is not included in the agenda, or hinders the progress of the meeting; reject proposals made by shareholders during their presentations that are inappropriate; indicate the time and establish, pursuant to the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, the system or procedure for voting; decide on the suspension or limitation of political rights, especially the voting rights attaching to shares pursuant to law and the Company's Corporate Governance System; approve the polling and vote counting system; proclaim the results thereof: temporarily suspend the General Shareholders' Meeting; close the meeting; and, in general, exercise all powers, including those of order and discipline, that are required to properly hold the proceedings.
- The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall: direct the meeting such that deliberations are carried out pursuant to the agenda; accept or reject new proposalsproposed resolutions relating to matters on the agenda; organise and direct deliberations, granting the floor to shareholders who so request it and taking the floor away or refusing to grant it when the chair deems that a particular matter has been sufficiently debated, is not included in the agenda, or hinders the progress of the meeting; reject proposals made by shareholders during their presentations that are inappropriate; indicate the time and establish, pursuant to for General Regulations the Shareholders' Meeting, the system or procedure for voting; decide on the suspension or limitation of political rights, especially voting rights attaching to shares pursuant to law and the Company's Corporate Governance Systemthese By-Laws; approve the polling and vote counting system; proclaim the voting results thereof; temporarily suspend or propose an extension of the General Shareholders' Meeting; close the meeting; and, in general, exercise all powers, including those of order and discipline, that are required to properly hold the proceedings.
- 2. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may entrust the management of the debate to a director the chair deems appropriate or to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, who shall
- The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may entrust the management of the debatemeeting to a director the chair deems appropriate, or to the secretary for the General

carry out these duties on behalf of Shareholders' Meeting, who shall the chair, with the chair having the carry out these duties this duty on right to retake them at any time. In behalf of the chair, with the chair the event of temporary absence or having the right to retake themit at supervening disability of the chair or any time. In the event of temporary of the secretary for the General absence supervening or Shareholders' Meeting. disability incapacity of the chair or appropriate persons under sections 1 of or the secretary for the General and 2 of article 25, respectively, Shareholders' Meeting, shall assume the duties thereof. appropriate persons under sections $\frac{12}{12}$ and $\frac{23}{12}$ of article $\frac{25,24}{12}$ respectively, shall assume the duties thereof. 3. Resolutions shall be voted by the Resolutions Proposed resolutions shareholders the General shall be voted upon by the at Shareholders' Meeting pursuant to shareholders the General at the provisions of the following Shareholders' Meeting pursuant to articles and the Regulations for the the provisions of the following General Shareholders' Meeting. articles and the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting. Article 28. Absentee Voting. Process of Article 28.27. Absentee Voting. Process **Proxy-Granting and Absentee Voting** of Proxy-Granting and Absentee **Voting** Shareholders may cast their absentee vote on proposed resolutions relating to the items on the agenda of the call to meeting by complying with the requirements of law and the Corporate Governance System. 1. Shareholders may cast their vote 1. Shareholders may east their vote regarding proposals relating to the regarding proposals relating to the items included in the agenda of the items included in the agenda of the call to meeting by means of postal or call to meeting by means of postal electronic correspondence or any or electronic correspondence or any other means of long-distance other means of long-distance communication, provided that the communication, provided that the identity of the person voting and the identity of the person voting and the security of the electronic security of the electronic communications are assured. In all communications are assured. In all such cases, they Shareholders that such cases, they shall be deemed

	present for purposes of the establishment of a quorum at the General Shareholders' Meeting.	have cast their absentee vote shall be deemed present for purposes of the establishment of a quorum atfor the General Shareholders' Meeting.
2.	In order to vote by postal correspondence, shareholders must send to the Company the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card, duly executed and signed, a validation certificate, or any other document or instrument verifying the absentee vote accepted by the Company.	2. In order to vote by postal correspondence, shareholders must send to the Company the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card, duly executed and signed, a validation certificate, or any other document or instrument verifying the absentee vote accepted by the Company.
3.	Votes by electronic correspondence shall be cast using a recognised electronic signature or other type of guarantee that the Board of Directors deems best ensures the authenticity and identification of the voting shareholder.	3. Votes by electronic correspondence shall be cast using a recognised electronic signature or other type of guarantee that the Board of Directors deems best ensures the authenticity and identification of the voting shareholder.
4.	Votes cast by any of the means set forth in the preceding sections must be received by the Company before 24:00 on the day immediately prior to the day set for the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting upon first call or upon second call, as applicable.	3. 4. Votes cast by any of the means set forth in the preceding sections Absentee votes must be received by the Company before 24:00 on the day immediately prior to the day set for the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting upon first call or upon second call, as applicable.
5.	The Board of Directors is authorised to develop the rules, means, and procedures for proxy-granting and absentee voting, including applicable rules on priority and conflict.	4. 5.—The Board of Directors is authorised to develop the rules, means, and procedures for proxygranting and absentee voting, including applicable rules on priority and conflict.
estab other elect	olish rules for the use of guarantees than electronic signatures for casting ronic votes pursuant to the provisions ection 3 above; reduce the advance	Specifically, the Board of Directors may establish rules for the use of guarantees other than electronic signatures for easting electronic votes pursuant to the provisions of section 3 above; reduce the

period set forth in section 4 above for receipt by the Company of absentee votes; and allow and authorise the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the persons acting by delegation therefrom to accept any absentee votes received after such period, to the extent allowed by the means available.

advance period set forth in section 43 above for receipt by the Company of absentee votes; and allowaccept, and authorise the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the persons acting by delegation therefrom to accept, any absentee votes received after such period, to the extent allowedpermitted by the means available.

The chairman and the secretary of the Board of Directors or the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and persons acting by delegation therefrom, shall have the broadest powers to verify the identity of the shareholders and their representatives; check legitimacy of the exercise of the rights of attendance, proxy-granting, and voting by the shareholders and their representatives; check and accept the validity of proxies and absentee votes in accordance with the provisions of the Company's Corporate Governance System and in the rules that the Board of Directors may establish in order to further develop such provisions.

The chairman and the secretary of the Board of Directors or the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation therefrom, shall have the broadest powers to verify the identity of the shareholders and their representatives; check the legitimacy of the exercise of the rights of attendance, proxy-granting, and voting by the shareholders and their representatives; check and accept the validity of proxies and from either of them, shall be responsible for verifying and recognising the validity of the absentee votes cast in accordance with the provisions of set forth in the Company's Corporate Governance System and in the rules that established by the Board of Directors may establish in order to further develop such provisions.

- 6. An absentee vote shall be revoked either by physical attendance of the shareholder at the General Shareholders' Meeting or by express revocation thereof by the same means used to cast such vote, or if the shareholder validly grants a proxy after the date of casting the absentee vote.
- 6. An absentee vote shall be revoked either by physical attendance of the shareholder—at—the—General Shareholders'—Meeting—or—by express revocation thereof by the same means used to cast such vote, or if the shareholder validly grants a proxy after the date of casting the absentee—votein—implementation thereof.

- Remote attendance at the General Shareholders' Meeting by means of transmission data simultaneously and absentee electronic voting during the course General of the Shareholders' Meeting may be admitted if it is so established in the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, subject to the requirements set forth therein.
- 7. Remote attendance at the General Shareholders' Meeting by means of data transmission and simultaneously and absentee electronic voting during the course General the Shareholders' Meeting may be admitted if it is so established in the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, subject to the requirements set forth therein.

Article 28. Conflicts of Interest
<u>1.</u> <u>A shareholder may not exercise the</u>
shareholder's right to vote at a
General Shareholders' Meeting, either in person or by proxy, with
respect to the adoption of a
resolution to:
a) Relieve the shareholder of an
<u>obligation or grant the</u> shareholder a right.
snarcholder a fight.
b) Provide the shareholder with
any kind of financial
<u>assistance</u> , <u>including</u> the provision of guarantees in
favour thereof.
c) Release the shareholder, if a
<u>director, from obligations</u> arising from the duty of
arising from the duty of lovalty established in
accordance with the
provisions of law.
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<u>2.</u> <u>The provisions of the preceding</u> section shall also apply when the
resolutions affect, in the case of an
individual shareholder, the entities
or companies controlled thereby,
and in the case of corporate
shareholders, the entities or

		<u>3.</u>	companies belonging to their group (in the sense indicated in article 29.3 below), even if these latter companies or entities are not shareholders. If the shareholder subject to any of the voting prohibitions above attends the General Shareholders' Meeting, such shareholder's shares shall be deducted from those in attendance for purposes of determining the number of shares upon which the majority needed for the adoption of the relevant resolutions shall be calculated.
	Approval of Resolutions		cle 29. Approval of Resolutions 1. The Except in cases in which the
Share resolution of most shares at Meeti apply or the major representation of most shares at the Company of the	hareholders acting at a General holders' Meeting shall adopt ations with the favourable vote ore than one-half of the voting a present in person or by proxy the General Shareholders' ng. The foregoing does not to situations in which the law ese <i>By-Laws</i> require a greater ity. Each voting share that is sented in person or by proxy at General Shareholders' Meeting give the right to one vote.	1.	1. The Except in cases in which the law or these By-Laws require a greater majority, the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall adopt resolutions with the favourable vote of more than one half of the voting shares present in person or by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting. The foregoing does not apply to situations in which the law or these By Laws require a greater majority by simple majority of the shareholders present in person or by proxy, with a resolution being deemed adopted when it receives more votes in favour than against. Each voting share that is represented in person or by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting shall give the right to one vote.
assign proxy	right to vote may not be ned, even through the grant of a r, in exchange for any kind of deration or material benefit.	2.	The right to vote may not be assigned, even through the grant of a proxy, in exchange for any kind of consideration or material benefit.

- 3. No shareholder may cast a number of votes greater than corresponding to shares representing ten (10%) per cent of share capital, even if the number of shares held exceeds such percentage of the share capital. This limitation does not affect votes corresponding to shares with respect to which a shareholder is holding a proxy as a result of the provisions of article 23 above, provided, however, that with respect number of the corresponding to the shares of each shareholder represented by proxy, the limitation set forth above shall apply.
- -No shareholder may cast a number of votes greater than those corresponding shares to representing ten (10%) per cent of share capital, even if the number of shares held exceeds such percentage of the share capital. This limitation does not affect votes corresponding to shares with respect to which a shareholder is holding a proxy as a result of the provisions of article 23 above, provided, however, that with respect to the number of votes corresponding to the shares of each shareholder represented by proxy, the limitation set forth above shall apply.
- The limitation set forth in the preceding section shall also apply to the maximum number of votes that may be collectively or individually cast by two or more shareholders that are entities or companies belonging to the same group. Such limitation shall also apply to the number of votes that may be cast collectively or individually by an individual and the shareholder entity, entities, or companies controlled by such individual. A group shall be deemed to exist under circumstances provided by law, and also when a person controls one or more entities or companies.
- The limitation set forth in the preceding section shall also apply to the maximum number of votes that may be collectively or individually cast by two or more shareholders that are entities or companies belonging to the same group. Such limitation shall also apply to the number of votes that may be cast collectively individually by an individual and the shareholder entity, entities, or companies controlled by such individual. Α group shall be deemed to exist under circumstances provided by law, and also when a person controls one or more entities or companies.
- 5. Shares deprived of voting rights pursuant to the application of the preceding sections shall be deducted from the shares in attendance at the General Shareholders' Meeting for purposes of determining the number of shares upon which the majorities needed for the approval of
- 5. Shares deprived of voting rights pursuant to the application of the preceding sections shall be deducted from the shares in attendance at the General Shareholders' Meeting for purposes of determining the number of shares upon which the majorities needed

resolutions submitted to the shareholders shall be calculated.

for the approval of resolutions submitted to by the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall be calculated.

Article 30. Conflicts of Interest

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- 1. Shareholders affected by a conflict of interest, and particularly those participating in a merger or split-off with the Company, or who are called to subscribe for an increase in capital with the exclusion of pre-emptive rights or to acquire by overall assignment all of the Company's assets, or who are affected by resolutions pursuant to which the Company grants them a right, relieves them of an obligation, excuses them, if a director, from the prohibition against competition, or who approve a transaction in which they are interested, and, in general, merely formal and apparent shareholders who lack an actual and effective interest and do not act in a fully transparent manner vis-à-vis the Company, may not exercise their rights voting at the General Shareholders' Meeting. directly or by proxy, with respect to the matters or proposed resolutions with respect to which the conflict refers.
- Shareholders affected by a conflict of interest, and particularly those participating in a merger or split-off with the Company, or who are called to subscribe for an increase in capital with the exclusion of preemptive rights or to acquire by overall assignment all of the Company's assets, or who are affected by resolutions pursuant to which the Company grants them a right, relieves them of an obligation, excuses them, if a director, from the prohibition against competition, or who approve a transaction in which they are interested, and, in general, merely formal and apparent shareholders who lack an actual and effective interest and do not act in a fully transparent manner vis-àvis the Company, may not exercise their voting rights at the General Shareholders' Meeting, either directly or by proxy, with respect to the matters or proposed resolutions with respect to which the conflict refers.
- 2. The provisions of the preceding section shall also apply when the resolutions affect (i) in the case of an individual shareholder, the entities or companies controlled by such individual, and (ii) in the case of corporate shareholders, the entities or companies belonging to their group (in the sense indicated in
- 2. The provisions of the preceding section shall also apply when the resolutions affect (i) in the case of an individual shareholder, the entities or companies controlled by such individual, and (ii) in the case of corporate shareholders, the entities or companies belonging to their group (in the sense indicated

article 29.4 above), even when these	in article 29.4 above), even when
latter companies or entities are not shareholders.	these latter companies or entities are not shareholders.
3. If the party subject to any of the voting prohibitions above attends the General Shareholders' Meeting, such shareholder's shares shall be deducted from those in attendance at the General Shareholders' Meeting for purposes of determining the number of shares upon which the majority needed for the adoption of the relevant resolutions shall be calculated.	3. If the party subject to any of the voting prohibitions above attends the General Shareholders' Meeting, such shareholder's shares shall be deducted from those in attendance at the General Shareholders' Meeting for purposes of determining the number of shares upon which the majority needed for the adoption of the relevant resolutions shall be calculated.
Article 31. Documentation of Resolutions	Article 31. Documentation of Resolutions
1. The documentation of shareholder resolutions, the conversion thereof into a public instrument, and the registration thereof with the Commercial Registry shall be carried out pursuant to the provisions of law.	1. The documentation of shareholder resolutions, the conversion thereof into a public instrument, and the registration thereof with the Commercial Registry shall be carried out pursuant to the provisions of law.
2. The total or partial certificates needed to evidence shareholder resolutions shall be issued and signed by the secretary of the Board of Directors, or by one of the deputy secretaries, if any, with the approval of the chairman of the Board of Directors or, if applicable, of one of the vice-chairs thereof.	2. The total or partial certificates needed to evidence shareholder resolutions shall be issued and signed by the secretary of the Board of Directors, or by one of the deputy secretaries, if any, with the approval of the chairman of the Board of Directors or, if applicable, of one of the vice-chairs thereof.
	TITLE III. MANAGEMENT OF THE <u>COMPANY</u>
Chapter II. Management of the Company	Chapter II. Management of the CompanySection 1.
Section 1. General Provisions	L. General Provisions
Article 32 Structure of the Company's	Article 32. Structure 30. Management

Management	and Representation of the Company's Management
1. Management of the Company is vested in a Board of Directors, its chairman, an executive committee called the Executive Committee (Comisión Ejecutiva Delegada) and, if so resolved by the Board of Directors, a chief executive officer (consejero delegado).	1. Management of the The Company is vested in a managed and represented by the Board of Directors, its chairman, and, if applicable and if so approved by the Board of Directors, by an executive committee called the Executive Committee (Comisión Ejecutiva Delegada) and, also if so resolved decided by the Board of Directors, aby one or more chief executive officer (consejero delegado). officers (consejeros delegados).
2. Each of these bodies shall have the powers set forth in these <i>By-Laws</i> , the <i>Regulations of the Board of Directors</i> , and other applicable provisions of the Corporate Governance System, without prejudice to the provisions of law.	2. Each of these bodies shall have the powers set forth in these <i>By-Laws</i> , the <i>Regulations of the Board of Directors</i> , and other applicable provisions of the Corporate Governance System, without prejudice to the provisions of law.
Section 2. The Board of Directors	Section 2. Chapter II. The Board of Directors.
Article 33. Regulation of the Board of Directors	Article 33.31. Regulation of the Board of Directors
The Board of Directors shall be governed by the provisions set forth in the law, the <i>By-Laws</i> , the <i>Regulations of the Board of Directors</i> , and other applicable provisions of the Company's Corporate Governance System.	by the provisions set forth in the law, thethese By-Laws, the Regulations of the Board of Directors, and the other applicable provisions of the Company's Corporate Governance System.
Article 34. Powers of the Board of Directors	Article 34.32. Powers of the Board of Directors
1. The Board of Directors has the power to adopt resolutions regarding all matters not assigned by law or these <i>By-Laws</i> to the shareholders	1. The Board of Directors has the power to adopt resolutions regarding all matters not assigned by law or these By-Lawsthe

acting at a General Shareholders'

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<u>Corporate Governance System</u> to the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting.

2. the broadest powers and authority to manage, direct, administer, and represent the Company, as a general rule of good governance, pursuant to the Company's Corporate Governance System, the Board of Directors shall focus its activities on the supervision and monitoring of the general strategies and guidelines to be followed by the Company and the group of which the Company is the controlling entity, within the meaning established by law (the "Group"), entrusting to the representative management decisionmaking bodies and to the senior officers the day-to-day management and direction as well as coordination. dissemination. and general implementation of the Group's management guidelines, acting in furtherance of the interests of each and every one of the companies belonging thereto.

Although the Board of Directors has the broadest powers and manage, direct, authority to administer. and represent the Company, as a general rule of good governance, and pursuant to the Company's Corporate Governance System, the Board of Directors shall focus its activities, pursuant to the Corporate Governance System, on the definition and supervision and monitoring of the general strategies and guidelines to be followed by the Company and the group of which the Company is the controlling entity, within the meaning established by law (the "Group"), entrusting to the representative management decision-making bodies and to the senior officers the day-to-day management and direction as well as the dissemination, coordination, and general implementation of the Group's management guidelines, acting in furtherance of the interests of each and every one of the companies belonging thereto. Group, attending to the following matters, among others:

a) Establish, within legal limits, the policies, strategies, and guidelines of the Group, entrusting to the decision-making bodies and the management of the business subholding companies of the Group the duties of day-to-day administration and effective management of each of the

	<u>businesses thereof.</u>
	b) Supervise the general development of the aforementioned policies, strategies, and guidelines by the country subholding companies and by the business subholding companies of the Group, establishing appropriate mechanisms of coordination and exchange of information in the interest of the Company and of the companies belonging thereto.
	c) <u>Decide on matters of strategic</u> importance at the Group level.
	3. The Board of Directors shall generally entrust to its chairman, to the chief executive officers, and to the senior officers the dissemination, coordination, and general implementation of the Group's management guidelines, acting in furtherance of the interests of each and every one of the companies belonging thereto.
3. The Board of Directors shall design, evaluate, and review the Company's Corporate Governance System on an ongoing basis. It shall pay special attention to the approval of the <i>Corporate Policies</i> , which further	4. 3. The Board of Directors shall design, evaluate, and review the Company's Corporate Governance System on an ongoing basis. It shall pay special attention to the approval of the Corporate

develop the principles reflected in the *By-Laws* and other documents of the Company's Corporate Governance System and codify the guidelines that should govern the activities of the Company and its shareholders. The *Corporate Policies* shall group together those relating to corporate governance and regulatory compliance, risks, and social responsibility.

Policies, which further develop the principles reflected in thethese By-Laws and the other in documents provisions of Company's Corporate Governance System and codify the guidelines that should govern the activities of the Company and its shareholders-The Corporate Policies shall group together those relating to corporate governance and regulatory compliance, risks, and social responsibility and the activities of the Group.

- 4. The Board of Directors, within its powers regarding the general duty of supervision, organisation, and strategic coordination of the Group, shall occupy itself with the following matters, among others:
- 4. The Board of Directors, within its powers regarding the general duty of supervision, organisation, and strategic coordination of the Group, shall occupy itself with the following matters, among others:
- Determine and coordinate, within a) legal limits, the general strategies and guidelines for management of entrusting the Group, management decision-making bodies and to the management of the business subholding companies of the Group the duties of day-to-day administration and effective management of each of the business subgroups thereof.
- a) Determine and coordinate, within legal limits, the general strategies and guidelines for management of the Group, entrusting to the management decision making bodies and to the management of the business subholding companies of the Group the duties of day-to-day administration and effective management of each of the business subgroups thereof.
- b) Supervise the general development the Group's management strategies and guidelines by the business subholding companies thereof. establishing appropriate mechanisms for the exchange of information in the interest of the Company and of the companies included within the Group.
- b) Supervise the general development of the Group's management strategies and guidelines by the business subholding companies thereof, establishing appropriate mechanisms for the exchange of information in the interest of the Company and of the companies included within the Group.
- c) Decide on matters of strategic c)
- c) Decide on matters of strategic

	importance at the Group level.	importance at the Group level.
d)	Ensure the effective separation within the Group of the regulated activities carried out by the various companies thereof upon the terms required by applicable legal provisions in the markets and regions in which they operate.	d) Ensure the effective separation within the Group of the regulated activities carried out by the various companies thereof upon the terms required by applicable legal provisions in the markets and regions in which they operate.
e)	Regulate, analyse, and decide upon possible conflicts of interest, significant transactions, and related-party transactions among the companies of the Group and, in particular, regarding those that affect listed subsidiaries.	e) Regulate, analyse, and decide upon possible conflicts of interest, significant transactions, and related-party transactions among the companies of the Group and, in particular, regarding those that affect listed subsidiaries.
f)	Approve the creation or acquisition of equity interests in special purpose entities or entities registered in countries or territories that are considered to be tax havens, as well as any other transactions of a similar nature that, due to their complexity, might diminish the transparency of the Group.	f) Approve the creation or acquisition of equity interests in special purpose entities or entities registered in countries or territories that are considered to be tax havens, as well as any other transactions of a similar nature that, due to their complexity, might diminish the transparency of the Group.
5.	In particular, the Board of Directors, acting upon its own initiative or at the proposal of the corresponding internal decision-making body, shall occupy itself with the matters set forth below (as an example only):	5. In particular, the Board of Directors, acting upon its own initiative or at the proposal of the corresponding internal decision making body, shall occupy itself with the matters set forth below (as an example only):
A.	With respect to the General Shareholders' Meeting:	A. With respect to the General Shareholders' Meeting:
a)	Call the General Shareholders' Meeting.	a) Call the General Shareholders' Meeting.

b) Propose the amendment of the By-Propose the amendment of the By-Laws to the shareholders at a Laws to the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting. General Shareholders' Meeting. Propose to the shareholders at a Propose to the shareholders at a c) General Shareholders' Meeting the General Shareholders' Meeting the amendment of the Regulations for amendment of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' the General Shareholders' Meeting. Meeting. Submit to a decision the d) by Submit to a decision by shareholders General shareholders at a General at a Shareholders' Meeting Shareholders' Meeting the transformation of the Company into transformation of the Company into a holding company, through holding company, through "subsidiarisation" or the assignment "subsidiarisation" or the dependent entities of core assignment to dependent entities of activities theretofore carried out by core activities theretofore carried the Company, even though the out by the Company, even though Company retains full control of such the Company retains full control of entities. such entities. Submit decision Submit to a decision by the e) to by the shareholders General at a shareholders at a Shareholders' Shareholders' Meeting Meeting all transactions for the acquisition or transactions for the acquisition or disposition of essential operating disposition of essential operating assets when they involve an effective assets when they involve an change in the object of the company. effective change in the object of the company. Propose to the shareholders at a f) Propose to the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting the General Shareholders' Meeting the approval of transactions having an approval of transactions having an effect equivalent to liquidation of the effect equivalent to liquidation of Company. the Company. Carry out the resolutions approved Carry out the resolutions approved g) by the shareholders at a General by the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting and perform Shareholders' Meeting and perform any duties that the shareholders have any duties that the shareholders entrusted thereto. have entrusted thereto.

B. With respect to the organisation of With respect to the organisation of the Board of Directors and the the Board of Directors and the delegation of powers and the delegation of powers and granting of powers of representation: granting of powers representation: Approve and amend the *Regulations* a) Approve | and amend of the Board of Directors. Regulations of the Board of Directors. Define the structure of general Define the structure of general b) powers to be granted by the Board of powers to be granted by the Board Directors or by the representative of Directors or by the representative management management decision-making bodies decision-making bodies. With respect to information to be C. With respect to information to be provided by the Company: provided by the Company: Manage the provision of information **Manage** the a) provision regarding the Company to the information regarding the Company shareholders and the markets in to the shareholders and the markets general, pursuant to standards of in general, pursuant to standards of equal treatment, transparency, and equal treatment, transparency, and truthfulness. truthfulness. b) Prepare the Company's Prepare the Company's annual accounts, management report, and accounts, management report, and proposal for the allocation of profits proposal for the allocation of or losses, as well as the consolidated profits or losses, as well as the consolidated accounts and accounts and management report and the financial information that the management report and the Company must periodically make financial information that the Company must periodically make public due to its status as listed public due to its status as listed ensuring company, that such documents provide a true and fair company, ensuring that such view of the assets and liabilities, the documents provide a true and fair financial position, and the profits or view of the assets and liabilities. losses of the Company in accordance the financial position, and the profits or losses of the Company in with the provisions of law. accordance with the provisions of law. Approve the Company's Annual e) Approve the Company's Annual c) Corporate Governance Report, as Corporate Governance Report, as

	well as the Annual Sustainability Report, the annual director remuneration report, and any other report that the Board of Directors deems advisable in order to better inform shareholders and investors or that is required by legal provisions applicable at any time.	well as the Annual Sustainability Report, the annual director remuneration report, and any other report that the Board of Directors deems advisable in order to better inform shareholders and investors or that is required by legal provisions applicable at any time.
D.	With respect to the directors and senior officers:	D. With respect to the directors and senior officers:
a)	Designate directors to fill vacancies by interim appointment and propose to the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting the appointment, ratification, re-election, or removal of directors.	a) Designate directors to fill vacancies by interim appointment and propose to the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting the appointment, ratification, reelection, or removal of directors.
b)	Designate and renew internal positions within the Board of Directors and the members of and positions on the committees established within the Board of Directors.	b) Designate and renew internal positions within the Board of Directors and the members of and positions on the committees established within the Board of Directors.
c)	Set, pursuant to the <i>By-Laws</i> and within the limits established therein, the <i>Director Remuneration Policy</i> and the remuneration of directors. In the case of executive directors, the Board of Directors shall establish the additional remuneration to which they are entitled for their executive duties and other basic terms that their contracts must include.	e) Set, pursuant to the By Laws and within the limits established therein, the Director Remuneration Policy and the remuneration of directors. In the case of executive directors, the Board of Directors shall establish the additional remuneration to which they are entitled for their executive duties and other basic terms that their contracts must include.
d)	Approve, upon a proposal of the chairman of the Board of Directors or of the chief executive officer, the determination and modification of the Company's organisational chart, the appointment and removal of senior officers of the Company, as	d) Approve, upon a proposal of the chairman of the Board of Directors or of the chief executive officer, the determination and modification of the Company's organisational chart, the appointment and removal of senior officers of the Company,

well as set the compensation or indemnification, if any, payable to them in the event of removal.

as well as set the compensation or indemnification, if any, payable to them in the event of removal.

As an exception to the foregoing, based on a proposal made for such purpose by the chairman of the Board of Directors, the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall, if applicable, submit to the Board of Directors a proposal supported by the corresponding report regarding the selection, appointment, or removal of the director of the Internal Audit Area.

As an exception to the foregoing, based on a proposal made for such purpose by the chairman of the Board of Directors, the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall, if applicable, submit to the Board of Directors a proposal supported by the corresponding report regarding the selection, appointment, or removal of the director of the Internal Audit Area.

Senior officers shall be those who report directly to the Board of Directors, to the chairman thereof, or to the chief executive officer of the Company, and shall in any case include the director of the Internal Audit Area and any other officer given such status by the Board of Directors.

Senior officers shall be those who report directly to the Board of Directors, to the chairman thereof, or to the chief executive officer of the Company, and shall in any case include the director of the Internal Audit Area and any other officer given such status by the Board of Directors.

- e) Approve the *Senior Officer Remuneration Policy* as well as the basic terms of the contracts with senior officers, based for such purpose on a proposal made by the chairman of the Board of Directors or the chief executive officer to the Appointments and Remuneration Committee in order for the latter to prepare a report thereon and submit it to the Board of Directors.
- e) Approve the Senior Officer
 Remuneration Policy as well as the
 basic terms of the contracts with
 senior officers, based for such
 purpose on a proposal made by the
 chairman of the Board of Directors
 or the chief executive officer to the
 Appointments and Remuneration
 Committee in order for the latter to
 prepare a report thereon and
 submit it to the Board of Directors.
- f) Regulate, review, and decide upon possible conflicts of interest and related-party transactions between the Company and its directors and senior officers as well as with persons related thereto.
- f) Regulate, review, and decide upon possible conflicts of interest and related party transactions between the Company and its directors and senior officers as well as with persons related thereto.

E. Other powers:

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	remuneration policy and submit the corresponding proposed resolutions on the allocation of profits or losses and other modes of shareholder remuneration to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, as well as decide upon the payment, if any, of interim dividends.	remuneration policy and submit the corresponding proposed resolutions on the allocation of profits or losses and other modes of shareholder remuneration to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, as well as decide upon the payment, if any, of interim dividends.
b)	Take note of mergers, split-offs, concentrations, or overall assignments of assets and liabilities that affect any of the significant companies of the Group.	b) Take note of mergers, split-offs, concentrations, or overall assignments of assets and liabilities that affect any of the significant companies of the Group.
c)	Declare its position regarding all takeover bids for the Company's securities.	c) Declare its position regarding all takeover bids for the Company's securities.
d)	Decide on proposals submitted thereto by the Executive Committee, the chairman of the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer, the lead independent director (consejero independiente especialmente facultado), and the committees of the Board of Directors.	d) Decide on proposals submitted thereto by the Executive Committee, the chairman of the Board of Directors, the chief executive officer, the lead independent director (consejero independiente especialmente facultado), and the committees of the Board of Directors.
e)	Make decisions regarding any other matter within its power that the Board of Directors believes to be in the interest of the Company or that the <i>Regulations of the Board of Directors</i> reserve to the Board as a whole.	e) Make decisions regarding any other matter within its power that the Board of Directors believes to be in the interest of the Company or that the Regulations of the Board of Directors reserve to the Board as a whole.
Artic Com	cle 35. Representation of the pany	Article 35. Representation of the Company
1.	Representation of the Company shall be the purview of the Board of Directors, its chairman, the Executive Committee and, if any and if approved by the Board of	1. Representation of the Company shall be the purview of the Board of Directors, its chairman, the Executive Committee and, if any and if approved by the Board of

Directors, a chief executive officer.	Directors, a chief executive officer.
2. The Board of Directors and the Executive Committee shall act collectively in the exercise of their powers. The chairman and the chief executive officer shall act in their individual capacity.	2. The Board of Directors and the Executive Committee shall act collectively in the exercise of their powers. The chairman and the chief executive officer shall act in their individual capacity.
Directors or the Executive Committee shall be carried out by its chairman, by its secretary, by a director, or by any third party designated in the resolution, acting jointly or individually.	3. The resolutions of the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee shall be carried out by its chairman, by its secretary, by a director, or by any third party designated in the resolution, acting jointly or individually.
Directors and Appointment of Directors	Article 36.33. Composition of the Board of Directors and Appointment of Directors
	1. The Board of Directors shall be composed of a minimum of nine and a maximum of fourteen directors, who shall be appointed or ratified by the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, subject to the provisions of law and the requirements established by the Corporate Governance System.
1. The Board of Directors shall be composed of a minimum of nine (9) and a maximum of fourteen (14) directors, who shall be appointed or ratified at a General Shareholders' Meeting, subject to the provisions of law and the requirements established by the Company's Corporate Governance System. The determination of the number of directors shall be the purview of the	2. 1. The Board of Directors shall be composed of a minimum of nine (9) and a maximum of fourteen (14)—directors,—who—shall—be appointed or ratified at a General Shareholders' Meeting, subject to the provisions of law and the requirements—established—by—the Company's Corporate Governance System.—The determination of the

establish such number either by may establish such number either express resolution or indirectly. by express resolution or indirectly. through the filling or non-filling of through the filling or non-filling of vacancies or the appointment or nonvacancies or the appointment or non-appointment of new directors appointment of new directors within the minimum and within the aforesaid minimum and maximum numbers mentioned above. The numbers mentioned maximum foregoing shall be deemed to be above. The foregoing shall be without prejudice to the system of deemed to be without prejudice to proportional representation to which the system of proportional representation to which the the shareholders are entitled under the provisions of law. shareholders are entitled under the provisions of law. . 2. The following may not be appointed The following may not be directors or individual appointed as directors or individual as representatives of a representatives of as individuals corporate representing a corporate director: director: Domestic or foreign companies **Domestic** a) foreign or competing with the Company in companies competing with the energy or other industries, or the Company in the energy the directors or senior officers industry or other industries, or thereof, or the persons, if any, the directors or senior officers who are proposed by such thereof, or the such persons, if companies in their capacity as any, whoas are proposed by shareholders. such companiesthem in their capacity as shareholders. Individuals or legal entities Individuals or legal entities b) holding the position of director holding the position of than three directors erving as directors in more companies with shares trading more than three on domestic or foreign stock companies with shares trading on domestic or foreign stock exchanges. exchanges. Persons who, during the two (2) Persons who, during the two c) years prior to their appointment, (2)—years prior to their have occupied high-level appointment, have occupied positions in the government high-level positions which are incompatible with the the Spanish government simultaneous performance of the whichadministrations that are duties of a director of a listed incompatible with the company under national simultaneous performance of

	autonomous community legislation, or positions of responsibility with entities regulating the energy industry, the securities markets, or other industries in which the Company or the Group operates.	the duties of a director of a listed company under <u>Spanish</u> national or autonomous community <u>legislationlaw</u> , or positions of responsibility with entities regulating the energy industry, the securities markets, or other industries in which <u>the Company or</u> the Group operates.
d) Individuals or legal entities under any other circumstance of incompatibility or prohibition governed by provisions of a general nature, including those that have interests in any way opposed to those of the Company or the Group.	d) Individuals or legal entities that are under any other circumstance of incompatibility or prohibition governed by provisions of a general nature, including those that have interests in any way opposed to those of the Company or the Group.
el m la	The appointment, ratification, re- lection, and removal of directors nust comply with the provisions of aw and the Company's Corporate Governance System.	4. 3.—The appointment, ratification, re-election, and removal of directors must comply with the provisions of law and the Company's Corporate Governance System. Resolutions proposed to the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting regarding the appointment, ratification, and re-election of directors must be accompanied by a report providing the rationale for the proposal.
Article	37. Types of Directors	Article 37.34. Types of Directors
1. The	following shall be deemed:	1. The following shall be deemed:
w d	executive directors: those directors who perform senior management uties or are employees of the company or its Group.	1. a) Executive directors: those Those directors who perform senior management duties or are employees of within the Company or its Group, whatever the legal relationship they maintain, shall be deemed executive directors.

All other directors of the Company, whether proprietary, independent, or other external, shall be deemed non-executive directors: b) External proprietary directors b) External proprietary a) (representing a major shareholder): **Proprietary** directors those directors: (i) who own a (representing major shareholding interest that is greater shareholder): those directors: than or equal to that legally regarded (i) who own a shareholding as significant at any time, or who interest that is equal to or have been appointed owing to their greater than or equal to that status as shareholders, although their legally regarded as significant shareholding interest does not reach at any time, or who have been amount; appointed owing to their such or (ii) whose appointment has been proposed to status as shareholders, the Company by shareholders of the althougheven if their type described in (i) above. shareholding interest does not reach such amount; or (ii) whose appointment has been proposed to the Company by, as well as those representing the shareholders of the type in (i) above. described However, if any of such directors at the same time performs management duties within the Company or the Group, such director shall be deemed an executive director. c) External independent External independent directors: those c) <u>b</u>) directors who, having Independent directors: those appointed because of their personal directors who, having been and professional qualities, may carry appointed because of their out their duties without being personal and professional constrained by relationships with the qualities, may carry out their Company. its significant without being duties shareholders, or its officers. constrained by relationships with the Company or its significant Group. its shareholders, or its officers, the other directors. Directors who have been independent directors for a

d) Other external directors: those directors who are not executive directors and also do not fit the description of a proprietary or independent director.	continuous period of more than twelve years cannot be deemed to be external independent directors. c) d)-Other external directors: those directors who are not non-executive directors and also who do not fit the description of a have the characteristics to be deemed proprietary or independent director directors.
The Regulations of the Board of Directors may further elaborate upon and develop these concepts.	The Regulations of the Board of Directors may further elaborate upon and develop these concepts within the framework established by law.
2. The Board of Directors shall be composed such that the external directors represent a majority over the executive directors. This instruction, as well as those set forth in these <i>By-Laws</i> and in the <i>Regulations of the Board of Directors</i> regarding the composition of the committees of the Board of Directors, shall be mandatory for the Board of Directors, which must follow them in the exercise of its powers to propose appointments and re-elections of directors to the shareholders and to make interim appointments of directors to cover vacancies and in appointing members of the committees of the Board of Directors, and merely constitute guidance for the shareholders, as applicable.	3. 2.—The Board of Directors shall be composed suchensure that the external directors represent a majority over the executive of its members are independent directors. This instruction, as well as those set forth in these By-Laws and in the Regulations of the Board of Directors regarding the composition of the committees of the Board of Directors, shall be mandatory for the Board of Directors, which must follow them in the exercise of its powers to propose appointments and reelections of directors to the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting and to make interim appointments of directors to cover vacancies and in appointing members of the committees of the Board of Directors, and merely constitute guidance for the shareholders, as applicable.
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director shall be given by the Board of Directors to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting at which the appointment thereof must be made or ratified or the reelection thereof approved, and shall be maintained or, if applicable, modified in the *Annual Corporate Governance Report*, after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee.

of each director shall be given by the Board of Directors to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting at which the appointment thereof must be made or ratified or the re-election thereof approved, and shall be maintained or, if applicable, modified in the Annual Corporate Governance Report, after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee.

Article 38. Designation of Positions

Article 38. Designation of Positions 35. Meetings of the Board of Directors

- 1. The Board of Directors shall elect from among its members, after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee. chairman of the Board of Directors and, if it so decides, one or more vice-chairs of the Board Directors, at the proposal of the chairman of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may also appoint one or more honorary presidents of the Company.
- 1. The Board of Directors shall elect from among its members, after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration—Committee,—a chairman of the Board of Directors and, if it so decides, one or more vice chairs—of—the—Board—of Directors, at the proposal of the chairman of the Board of Directors.

 The Board of Directors may also appoint—one—or—more—honorary presidents of the Company.
- 2. If the chairman of the Board of Directors performs executive duties, the Board of Directors shall, upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, authorise an independent director to:
- 2. If the chairman of the Board of Directors performs executive duties, the Board of Directors shall, upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, authorise an independent director to:
- a) Request the chairman of the Board of Directors to call a meeting thereof when such director deems it appropriate.
- a) Request the chairman of the Board of Directors to call a meeting thereof when such director deems it appropriate.
- b) Request the inclusion of matters in the agenda for meetings of the Board of Directors.
- Request the inclusion of matters in the agenda for meetings of the Board of Directors.

- Coordinate and reflect the concerns Coordinate and reflect the concerns c) of the external directors. of the external directors. Lead the evaluation of the chairman Lead the evaluation of the chairman d) of the Board of Directors. of the Board of Directors. 3. At the proposal of the chairman of the Board of Directors and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, the Board of Directors shall appoint a secretary of the Board of Directors and, if applicable, one or more deputy secretaries, who need not directors. In the absence of the secretary and deputy secretaries of the Board of Directors, the director appointed by the Board of Directors from among those attending the meeting in question shall act as such.
 - At the proposal of the chairman of the Board of Directors and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, the Board of Directors shall appoint a secretary of the Board of Directors and, if applicable, one or more deputy secretaries, who need not be directors. In the absence of the secretary and deputy secretaries of the Board of Directors, the director appointed by the Board of Directors from among those attending the meeting in question shall act as such.
- 4. The chairman, vice-chairs, and, if applicable, the secretary and deputy secretaries of the Board of Directors who are re-elected by the shareholders as members of the Board of Directors shall continue to perform the duties they previously carried out within the Board of Directors, without the need for a new election and without prejudice to the Board of Directors' power of revocation with respect to such positions.
- The chairman, vice-chairs, and, if applicable, the secretary and deputy secretaries of the Board of Directors who are re-elected by the shareholders as members of the Board of Directors shall continue to perform the duties they previously carried out within the Board of Directors, without the need for a new election and without prejudice to the Board of Directors' power of revocation with respect to such positions.

Article 39. Meetings of the Board of Directors

Article 39. Meetings of the Board of **Directors**

- 1. The Board of Directors shall meet with the frequency that the chairman of the Board of Directors deems appropriate, and at least the number of times and in the cases provided for in the Regulations of the Board
- 1. The Board of Directors shall meet frequency the the that chairman of the Board of Directors deems appropriate, and at least the number of times and in the cases provided for inby law and the

of Directors. Meetings shall take place at the Company's registered office or at the place, in Spain or abroad, indicated in the call to meeting.

Regulations of the Board of Directors. Meetings shall take place at the Company's registered office or at the place, in Spain or abroad, indicated in the call to meeting.

- The call to meeting of the Board of Directors shall be carried out by the secretary of the Board of Directors the person acting in secretary's stead. with authorisation of the chairman, by any means that allows for the receipt thereof. Notice of the call shall be given as much in advance as is necessary for the directors to have access thereto no later than the third day prior to the date of the meeting, except in the case of emergency meetings. Any information deemed necessary shall be sent or made available through the directors' website together with the call to meeting, which shall always include the agenda for the meeting, unless the requirement may be dispensed with upon duly justified grounds.
- The call to meeting of the Board of Directors shall be carried out by the secretary of the Board of Directors or the person acting in the secretary's stead, with the authorisation of the chairman, by any means that allows for the receipt thereof. Notice of the call shall be given as much in advance as is necessary for the directors to have access thereto no later than the third day prior to the date of the meeting, except in the case of emergency meetings. Any information deemed necessary shall be sent or made available through the directors' website together with the call to meeting, which shall always include the agenda for the meeting, unless the requirement may be dispensed with upon duly justified grounds. One-third of the directors may also call a meeting, establishing the agenda thereof, in order for the meeting to be held at the place where the registered office is located, if a prior petition has been submitted to the chairman of the Board of Directors and he has failed, without well-founded reasons, to call the meeting within one month.be made in accordance with the provisions of law and the Corporate Governance System.

One-third of the directors may also call a meeting, establishing the agenda thereof, in order for the meeting to be held at the place where the registered office is located, if a prior petition has been submitted to the chairman of the Board of Directors and he has failed, without wellfounded reasons, to call the meeting within one month.

- 3. Without prejudice to the foregoing, the Board of Directors shall be deemed to have validly met without
 - deemed to have validly met without the need for a call if all of the the need for a call to meeting if all of directors present in person or by the directors are present in person or by proxy and unanimously agree to proxy unanimously agree to hold the meeting and to the items of the hold the meeting and to the items of agenda to be dealt with. the agenda to be dealt with. Meetings of the Board of Directors
- 4. may be held in several places connected by a conference system that permits the recognition and identification of the attendees. permanent communication among the attendees regardless of their participation location. and discussion and the casting of votes, all in real time. Attendees at any of such places shall be deemed to have attended the same meeting for all purposes relating to the Board of Directors. The meeting shall be deemed to have been held where the largest number of directors are located and, if they are in equal numbers, where the chairman of the Board of Directors or whoever chairs the meeting in the absence thereof is located.
- Meetings of the Board of Directors may be held in several places connected by a conference system that permits the recognition and identification of the attendees. permanent communication among the attendees regardless of their location, and participation in discussion and the casting of votes, all in real time. Attendees at any of such places shall be deemed to have attended the same meeting for all purposes relating to the Board of Directors. The meeting shall be deemed to have been held where the largest number of directors are located and, if they are in equal numbers, where the chairman of the Board of Directors or whoever chairs the meeting in the absence thereof is located

3. Without prejudice to the foregoing, the Board of Directors shall be

- 5. Voting by the Board of Directors may occur in writing without a meeting provided that no director objects thereto. In this instance, the directors may deliver to the secretary of the Board of Directors, or to the person acting on behalf of the their votes secretary, and
- Voting by the Board of Directors may occur in writing without a meeting provided that no director objects thereto. In this instance, the directors may deliver to the secretary of the Board of Directors, or to the person acting on behalf of the secretary, their votes and the

considerations they wish to appear in considerations they wish to appear the minutes, by any means allowing in the minutes, by any means allowing for receipt thereof. receipt thereof. Resolutions Resolutions adopted by this adopted by this procedure shall be procedure shall be recorded in recorded in minutes prepared minutes prepared pursuant to the pursuant to the provisions of law. provisions of law thereat. Article 40. Quorum for the Meeting and Article 40.36. Quorum for the Meeting Maiorities and Majorities Required to Adopt Required to Adopt Resolutions Resolutions The adoption of resolutions of the 1. The establishment of a quorum Board of Directors shall require the within the Board of Directors and attendance at the meeting, in person the adoption of resolutions of the Board of Directorsthereby shall or by proxy, of a majority of the require the attendance at the directors. meeting, in person or by proxy, of a majority of the directors. All of the directors may cast their All of the directors may cast their vote and give their proxy in favour vote and give their proxy in favour of another director. The proxy of another director, provided, granted shall be a special proxy for that however, non-executive the Board meeting in question and directors may only do so in favour may be communicated by any means of another non-executive director. allowing for the receipt thereof. The proxy granted shall be a special proxy for the Board meeting in question and may be communicated by any means allowing for the receipt thereof. The chairman of the Board of The chairman of the Board of Directors, as the person responsible Directors, as the person responsible for the efficient operation thereof, for the efficient operation thereof, shall stimulate the debate and active shall stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during participation of the directors during its meetings, safeguarding their its meetings, safeguarding their freedom to make decisions and freedom to make decisions and express their opinion. express their opinion. Resolutions shall be adopted by Resolutions Unless higher majorities absolute majority of votes cast in are provided for by law or the

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person or by proxy at the meeting,

except in the case of a permanent

Governance System,

resolutions shall be adopted by

	delegation of powers and the appointment of directors to exercise such powers, which shall require the favourable vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the directors. The law or the Company's Corporate Governance System may provide for greater majorities. In the event of a tie, the chairman shall have the tie-breaking vote.	absolute majority of votes cast in person or by proxy at the meeting, except in the case of a permanent delegation of powers and the appointment of directors to exercise such powers, which shall require the favourable vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the directors. The law or the Company's Corporate Governance System may provide for greater majorities. In the event of a tie, the chairman of the Board of Directors shall have the tie-breaking vote.
5.	The chairman may invite to meetings of the Board of Directors or to the discussion of particular items on the agenda all those persons who might contribute to improving the information provided to the directors.	5. The chairman may invite to meetings of the Board of Directors or to the discussion of particular items on the agendamay invite to meetings all those persons who might contribute to improving the information provided to the directors.
Article 41. Formalisation of Resolutions		
Arti	cle 41. Formalisation of Resolutions	Article 41. Formalisation of Resolutions
1.	Resolutions shall be recorded in minutes signed by the chairman and the secretary, or by the person acting in their stead.	
	Resolutions shall be recorded in minutes signed by the chairman and the secretary, or by the person acting	1. Resolutions shall be recorded in minutes signed by the chairman and the secretary, or by the person

Article 42. Committees of the Board of Directors		Article 42.37. Committees of the Board of Directors	
1.	The Board of Directors must create and permanently maintain an Executive Committee.	1. The Board of Directors must create and permanently maintain an Executive Committee.	
2.	The Board of Directors must also create an Audit and Risk Supervision Committee, an Appointments and Remuneration Committee, and a Corporate Social Responsibility Committee.	1. 2. The Board of Directors must also ereate The Board of Directors must have an Audit and Risk Supervision Committee, and an Appointments and Remuneration Committee, and a Corporate Social Responsibility Committee (or two separate committees, an Appointments Committee and a Remuneration Committee), on a permanent basis.	
3.	In addition, the Board of Directors may create other committees or commissions of purely internal scope with such powers as are determined by the Board of Directors.	2. 3. In addition, the Board of Directors may create The Board of Directors may also have an executive committee, called the Executive Committee (Comisión Ejecutiva Delegada), a consultative committee called the Corporate Social Responsibility Committee, and may create any other consultative committees—or commissions of purely internal scope with suchthe powers as are determined by that the Board of Directors determines, all of a voluntary nature.	
4.	The committees shall be governed by the provisions of the Company's Corporate Governance System, including, if applicable, specific regulations, when available, which must be approved by the Board of Directors and, by way of supplement and to the extent not incompatible with the nature thereof, by the provisions regarding the operation of the Board of Directors, particularly	3. 4.—The committees shall be governed by the provisions of the Company's Corporate Governance System, including, if applicable, the specific regulations thereof, when available, which must be approved by the Board of Directors and, by way of supplement and to the extent not incompatible with the nature thereof, by the provisions regarding the operation of the Board of	

with respect to the call to meetings, granting of a proxy to another member of the committee in question, establishment of a quorum, meetings without prior notice, proceedings at meetings and rules for adopting resolutions, voting in writing and without a meeting, and approval of the minutes of meetings.

Directors, particularly with respect to the call to meetings, granting of a proxy to another member of the committee in question, establishment of a quorum, meetings without prior notice, proceedings at meetings and rules for adopting resolutions, voting in writing and without a meeting, and approval of the minutes of meetings.

Article 43. Executive Committee

Article 43.38. Executive Committee

- 1. The Board of Directors shall create a permanent Executive Committee with all of the powers inherent to the Board of Directors except for those powers that may not be delegated pursuant to legal or by-law restrictions.
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 Executive Committee with shall
 have all of the powers inherent to
 the Board of Directors, except for
 those powers that may not be
 delegated pursuant to legal or bylaw restrictions over the Corporate
 Governance System.
- 2. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the number of directors decided by the Board of Directors upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, with a minimum of four (4) and a maximum of eight (8) directors.
- 2. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the number of directors decided by the Board of Directors upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, with a minimum of four (4) and a maximum of eight (8) directors.
- 3. The appointment of members of the Executive Committee and the delegation of powers thereto shall be carried out by the Board of Directors with the favourable vote of two-thirds (2/3) of its members. The renewal thereof shall be carried out at the time and in the form and numbers decided by the Board of Directors.
- The appointment of the members of the Executive Committee and the delegation of powers thereto shall be carried out by the Board of Directors with the favourable vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of itsthe members thereof. The renewal thereof shall be carried out at the time and in the form and numbers decided by the Board of Directors with such majority.

- 4. The chairman of the Board of Directors and the chief executive officer shall in all cases form part of the Executive Committee.
- The chairman of the Board of Directors and the chief executive officerofficers shall in all cases form part of the Executive Committee.
- 5. The meetings of the Executive Committee shall be chaired by the chairman of the Board of Directors, and in the absence thereof, by one of the vice-chairs who are members of the Executive Committee, and if none, by the director member of the Executive Committee having the longest length of service in office, and if equal lengths of service, by the oldest. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, one of the deputy secretaries or, in the absence of all of them, the director that the Executive Committee appoints from among its members in attendance, shall serve secretary.
- The meetings of the Executive 5. Committee shall be chaired by the chairman of the Board of Directors, and in the absence thereof, by one of the vice-chairs who are members of the Executive Committee, and if none, by the director member of the Executive Committee having the longest length of service in office, and if equal lengths of service, by the oldest. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, oneany of the deputy secretaries or, in the absence of all of them, the director that the Executive Committee appoints from among its members in attendance, shall serve <u>as</u> secretary.
- 6. Resolutions of the Executive Committee shall be adopted by a majority of the directors sitting on the committee who are present at the meeting in person or by proxy. In the event of a tie, the chair shall have the tie-breaking vote.
- 6. Resolutions of the Executive Committee shall be adopted by an absolute majority of the directors sitting on the committee who are present at the meeting votes cast in person or by proxy. In the event of a tie, the chair of the Executive Committee shall have the tie-breaking vote.

Article 44. Audit and Risk Supervision Committee

Article 44.39. Audit and Risk Supervision Committee

- 1. The Board of Directors shall create a permanent Audit and Risk Supervision Committee, an internal informational and consultative body without executive duties, with information, advisory, and proposalmaking powers within its scope of
- 1. The Board of Directors shall create a permanent Audit and Risk Supervision Committee, an internal informational and consultative body without executive duties, with information, advisory, and proposal-making powers within its

action.

- 2. The Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall be composed of a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of five (5) directors appointed by the Board of Directors. upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, from among the external directors who are not members of the Executive Committee. A majority of such directors shall be independent, and at least one of them shall be appointed taking into account the knowledge and experience thereof in the areas of accounting, auditing, and risk management.
- scope of action.
- The Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall be composed of a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of five (5)—directors bv Board appointed the Directors, upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committeefrom among external non-executive directors who are not members of the Executive Committee. A majority such directors shall independent, and at least one of them shall be appointed taking into account the knowledge and experience thereof in the areas of accounting, auditing, and risk management. .
- 3. The Board of Directors shall appoint a chair of the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee from among the independent directors forming part thereof, as well as its secretary, who need not be a director. The position of chair of the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall be held for a maximum period of four (4) years, after which period the chair may not be re-elected until the passage of at least one year from ceasing to act as such, without prejudice to the continuance or reelection thereof as a member of the committee.
- The Board of Directors shall appoint a chair of the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee from among the independent directors forming part thereof, as well as its secretary, who need not be a director. The position of chair of the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall be held for a maximum period of four-(4) years, after which period the chair may not be re-elected until the passage of at least one year from ceasing to act as such, without prejudice to the continuance or re-election thereof as a member of the committee.
- 4. The Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall have the powers set forth in the *Regulations of the Board of Directors* and in its own regulations and in any event the following:
- 4. The Audit and Risk Supervision Committee shall have the powers set forth in the *Regulations of the Board of Directors* and in its own regulations and in any event the following: those established by law, except for that of reporting on

a)	Report to the shareholders at the	related-party transactions, which power is assigned to the Appointments and Remuneration Committee. a) Report to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Moeting
	General Shareholders' Meeting with respect to matters raised therein by the shareholders on matters within its power.	General Shareholders' Meeting with respect to matters raised therein by the shareholders on matters within its power.
b)	Monitor the effectiveness of internal control at the Company and within its Group, as well as of their risk management systems.	b) Monitor the effectiveness of internal control at the Company and within its Group, as well as of their risk management systems.
c)	Together with the auditors, analyse significant weaknesses in the internal control system detected during the audit.	c) Together with the auditors, analyse significant weaknesses in the internal control system detected during the audit.
d)	Supervise the process of preparing and presenting regulated financial information.	d) Supervise the process of preparing and presenting regulated financial information.
e)	Propose the appointment, re- election, or replacement of the auditors, in accordance with applicable legal provisions, to the Board of Directors for submission to the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting.	e) Propose the appointment, re- election, or replacement of the auditors, in accordance with applicable legal provisions, to the Board of Directors for submission to the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting.
f)	Supervise the activities of the Internal Audit Area, which shall be functionally controlled by the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee.	f) Supervise the activities of the Internal Audit Area, which shall be functionally controlled by the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee.
g)	Establish appropriate relations with the auditors to receive information regarding matters that might risk the independence thereof, for examination by the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee, and any other information related to the development of the audit procedure	g) Establish appropriate relations with the auditors to receive information regarding matters that might risk the independence thereof, for examination by the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee, and any other information related to the development of the audit procedure

well other as such communications as are provided for in laws on auditing of accounts and in other legal provisions on auditing. In any event, it must receive written confirmation from the auditors on an annual basis of their independence vis-à-vis the Company or entities directly or indirectly related thereto, as well as information on additional services of any kind provided to such entities by such auditors or persons or entities related thereto pursuant to the laws on the auditing of accounts.

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- h) On an annual basis, prior to the audit report, issue a report containing an opinion on the independence of the auditors. This report must in any case pass upon the provision of the additional services referred to in the preceding section.
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Article 45. Appointments and Remuneration Committee

Article 45.40. Appointments and Remuneration Committee

- 1. The Board of Directors shall create a permanent Appointments and Remuneration Committee, an internal informational and consultative body without executive duties with information, advisory, and proposal-making powers within its scope of action.
- The Board of Directors shall create a permanent Appointments and Remuneration Committee, (or two <u>separate</u> committees, Appointments Committee and a Remuneration Committee, in which case reference in these By-Laws to **Appointments** Remuneration Committee shall be deemed made to the corresponding committee), which shall be internal informational and consultative body without executive duties, with information, advisory, and proposal-making powers within

2.	The Corporate Social Responsibility	2. The Corporate Social
1.	The Board of Directors shall create a permanent Corporate Social Responsibility Committee, an internal informational and consultative body without executive duties, with information, advisory, and proposal-making powers within its scope of action.	1. The Board of Directors shall create a permanent of Corporate Social Responsibility Committee, shall be deemed an internal informational and consultative body without executive duties, with information, advisory, and proposal-making powers within its scope of action.
Arti	icle 46. Corporate Social ponsibility Committee	Article 46.41. Corporate Social Responsibility Committee
4.	The Appointments and Remuneration Committee shall have the powers set forth in the <i>Regulations of the Board of Directors</i> and in its own regulations.	4. The Appointments and Remuneration Committee shall have the powers set forth in the Regulations of the Board of Directors and in its own regulations and in any event those established by law as well as the power to report on related-party transactions.
3.	The Board of Directors shall appoint a chair of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee from among the independent directors forming part thereof, as well as its secretary, who need not be a director.	3. The Board of Directors shall appoint a chair of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee from among the independent directors forming part thereof, as well as its secretary, who need not be a director.
2.	The Appointments and Remuneration Committee shall be composed of a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of five (5) directors, appointed by the Board of Directors from among the external directors, and the majority thereof must be classified as independent.	its scope of action. 2. The Appointments and Remuneration Committee shall be composed of a minimum of three (3)—and a maximum of five (5) directors, appointed by the Board of Directors upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, from among the external non-executive directors, and the majority thereof must be classified as independent.

minimum of three (3) and composed of a minimum of three maximum of five (5) directors, (3) and a maximum of five (5) appointed by the Board of Directors directors, appointed by the Board of upon a proposal of the Appointments Directors upon a proposal of the and Remuneration Committee, from Appointments and Remuneration among the external directors, and the Committee, from among majority thereof must be classified external non-executive directors. as independent. and the majority thereof must be classified as independent. 3. The Board of Directors shall The Board of Directors shall appoint a chair of the Corporate Social appoint a chair of the Corporate Responsibility Committee from Social Responsibility Committee the <u>independent</u> among the directors forming part among thereof, as well as its secretary, who directors forming part thereof, as need not be a director. well as its secretary, who need not be a director. The Corporate Social Responsibility The Corporate Social Committee shall have the powers set Responsibility Committee shall forth in the Regulations of the Board have the powers set forth in the of Directors and in its own Regulations of the Board of regulations. Directors and in its own regulations. Article 47. Chairman and Vice-Chair or Article 47.42. Chairman and Vice-Vice-Chairs **Chair or Vice-Chairs** The Board of Directors, following a <u>1.</u> report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee. shall appoint a chairman from among its members. The Board of Directors may also appoint one or more honorary chairs of the Company. The chairman of the Board of The chairman of the Board of 1. Directors shall have the status of Directors shall have the status of president of the Company and of president of the Company and of chair of all of the decision-making chair of all of the corporate bodies of which the chairman is a decision-making bodies of which member, which he shall permanently the chairman is a member, which he represent with the broadest powers, shall permanently represent with the broadest powers, having a duty having a duty to carry out the resolutions thereof to carry out the resolutions thereof and being

	authorised in urgent cases to adopt such measures as the chairman deems advisable in furtherance of the corporate interest.	and being authorised in urgent cases to adopt such measures as the chairman deems advisable in furtherance of the corporate interest.
2.	The chairman of the Board of Directors undertakes the senior management and representation of the Company and leads the Board of Directors. He exercises the following powers in addition to the powers conferred by law and the Company's Corporate Governance System:	2. The chairman of the Board of Directors undertakes the senior management and representation of the Company-and leads, as well as leadership of the Board of Directors. He exercises the following powers in addition to the powers conferred by law and the Company's Corporate Governance System:
		4. The chairman of the Board of Directors exercises the powers conferred upon him by law and the Corporate Governance System, and particularly the following:
	a) To call and preside over meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, setting the agenda for meetings and directing discussion and debate.	a) To call and preside over meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, setting the agenda for the meetings and directing the discussion and debate.
	b) To chair the General Shareholders' Meeting and exercise thereat the duties attributed thereto by the Company's Corporate Governance System.	b) To chair the General Shareholders' Meeting and exercise thereat the duties attributed thereto by the Company's Corporate Governance System.
	c) To bring to the Board of Directors those proposals that the chairman deems appropriate for the efficient running of the Company, particularly those corresponding to the operation of the Board of Directors itself	C) To bring to the Board of Directors those proposals that the chairman deems appropriate for the efficient running of the Company, particularly those corresponding to the

	and other corporate decision-		operation of the Board of
	making bodies, as well as to		Directors itself and other
	propose the persons, if any, who		corporate governance
	will hold the positions of vice-		decision-making bodies, as
	chair or vice-chairs, chief		well as to propose the
	executive officer, and secretary		persons, if any, who will hold
	and, if applicable, the deputy		the positions of office as vice-
	secretary or deputy secretaries		chair or vice-chairs, chief
	of the Board and of the		executive officer, <u>secretary</u> ,
	committees of the Board of		and <u>deputy</u> secretary and, if
	Directors.		applicable, the deputy
			secretary or deputy secretaries
			of the Board of Directors and
			of the committees of the
			Board of Directors. thereof,
			without prejudice to the
			reporting powers belonging to
			the Appointments and
			Remuneration Committee.
3.	The Board of Directors may appoint	3.	The Board of Directors may appoint
	one or more honorary presidents of		one or more honorary presidents of
	the Company.		the Company.
			d) To ensure, with the
			collaboration of the secretary, that the directors receive in
			advance information
			advance information
			sufficient to deliberate on the
			sufficient to deliberate on the items on the agenda.
			sufficient to deliberate on the items on the agenda.e) To stimulate the debate and
			e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the
			e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during meetings,
			e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during meetings, safeguarding their freedom to
			e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during meetings,
4.	The Board of Directors, upon a	5.	e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during meetings, safeguarding their freedom to take positions.
4.	The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of its chairman and after a	<u>5.</u>	e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during meetings, safeguarding their freedom to take positions. 4. The Board of Directors, upon a
4.	proposal of its chairman and after a	<u>5.</u>	e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during meetings, safeguarding their freedom to take positions. 4. The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of its chairman and after a
4.	proposal of its chairman and after a report from the Appointments and	<u>5.</u>	e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during meetings, safeguarding their freedom to take positions. 4.—The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of its chairman and after a report from the Appointments and
4.	proposal of its chairman and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, may elect	<u>5.</u>	e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during meetings, safeguarding their freedom to take positions. 4. The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of its chairman and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, may
4.	proposal of its chairman and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, may elect from among its members one or	<u>5.</u>	e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during meetings, safeguarding their freedom to take positions. 4. The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of its chairman and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, may elect from among its members one
4.	proposal of its chairman and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, may elect from among its members one or more vice-chairs who shall		e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during meetings, safeguarding their freedom to take positions. 4.—The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of its chairman and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, may elect from among its members one or more vice-chairs who shall
4.	proposal of its chairman and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, may elect from among its members one or		e) To stimulate the debate and active participation of the directors during meetings, safeguarding their freedom to take positions. 4. The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of its chairman and after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee, may elect from among its members one

	of vacancy, absence, illness, or disability.		of vacancy, absence, illness, or disability incapacity. The same procedure shall be followed to decide the removal of a vice-chair.
5.	If there is more than one vice-chair of the Board of Directors, the one that is expressly appointed by the Board of Directors for such purpose shall replace the chairman of the Board of Directors; in default of the foregoing, the vice-chair having the longest length in office; if equal lengths of service, the oldest; and if there is no vice-chair, the director with the longest length of office, and in case of equal lengths, the oldest.	<u>6.</u>	5.—If there is more than one vice-chair of the Board of Directors, the one that is expressly appointed by the Board of Directors for such purpose shall replace the chairman of the Board of Directors; in default of the foregoing, the vice-chair having the longest length of service in office; ifin case of equal lengths of service, the oldest; and if there is no. If a vice-chair, has not been appointed, the chairman shall be replaced by the director with the longest length of service in office, and in case of equal lengths, the oldest.
		<u>7.</u>	The vice-chair or the director, if any, that must replace the chairman under the provisions of the preceding section shall lead the process of electing a new chairman in the event of removal, notice of resignation, disability, or death in accordance with the succession plan approved by the Board of Directors.
Arti	cle 48. Chief Executive Officer	Artic	le 48.43. Chief Executive Officer
1.	The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of the chairman thereof, after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee and with the favourable vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the directors, may appoint a chief executive officer with the powers it deems appropriate and which may be delegated pursuant to legal and by-law provisions.	<u>1.</u>	The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of the chairman thereof, after a report from the Appointments and Remuneration Committee and with the favourable vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the directors, may appoint aone or more chief executive officerofficers (consejeros delegados) with the powers it deems appropriate and which may be delegated pursuant to

legal and by-law provisions. law and the Corporate Governance System. The chief executive officer, as well 2. The chief executive officer, as well as the chairman of the Board of as the chairman of the Board of Directors, shall exercise the power to Directors, shall exercise the power represent the Company. to represent the Company. 3. In the event of vacancy, absence, 3. In the event of vacancy, absence, illness, or disability of the chief illness, or disabilityincapacity of all officer. chief executive the duties of the executive officerofficers, the duties entrusted shall entrusted thereto he shall temporarily temporarily assumed by thereto be chairman of the Board of Directors. assumed by the chairman of the who shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors or, in the Board of Directors to deliberate and absence thereof, by the vice-chair or director designated in accordance decide upon the appointment, if appropriate, of a new chief executive with the provisions of section 6 of the preceding article, who shall call officer. a meeting of the Board of Directors to deliberate and decide upon the appointment, if appropriate, of aone or more new chief executive officer. officers. 49. Article 49.44. Secretary and Deputy Article Secretary and **Deputy** Secretary or **Deputy Secretaries:** Secretary or **Deputy** Secretaries; **Counsel to the Board of Directors Counsel to of the Board of Directors** 1 The Board of Directors, upon a 1. The Board of Directors, upon a proposal of the chairman thereof and proposal of the chairman thereof after a report from the Appointments and after a report from the and Remuneration Committee, shall Appointments and Remuneration Committee, appoint secretary and, shall appoint appropriate, one or more deputy secretary, who need not be a director, and, if appropriate, one or secretaries. who need not directors, and who shall replace the more deputy secretaries, who also secretary in the event of vacancy, need not be directors, and who shall absence, illness, or disability. The replace the secretary in the event of same procedure shall be followed to vacancy, absence, illness. decide the removal of the secretary disability incapacity. The same

procedure shall be followed to

decide the removal of the secretary and, if appropriate applicable, each

and, if appropriate, each deputy

secretary.

		deputy secretary.
2.	If there is more than one deputy secretary, the secretary of the Board of Directors shall be replaced by the corresponding one among them in accordance with the order established at the time of their appointment. In the absence of a secretary and deputy secretaries, the director that the Board of Directors itself appoints from among the attendees at the meeting in question shall serve as such.	2. If there is more than one deputy secretary, the secretary of the Board of Directors shall be replaced by the corresponding one among them in accordance with the order established at the time of their appointment. In the absence of a secretary and deputy secretaries, the director that the Board of Directors itself appoints from among the attendees at the meeting in question shall serve as such.
3.	The secretary of the Board of Directors shall perform the duties assigned thereto by law and the Company's Corporate Governance System. In particular, the secretary shall ensure the formal and substantive legality of the activities of the collective decision-making bodies, as well as advise the Board of Directors regarding the ongoing assessment and update of the Company's Corporate Governance System.	3. The secretary of the Board of Directors shall perform the duties assigned thereto by law and the Company's Corporate Governance System. In particular, the secretary shall ensure the formal and substantive legality of the activities of the collective decision making bodies, as well as advise the Board of Directors regarding the ongoing assessment and update of the Company's Corporate Governance System.
4.	The secretary of the Board of Directors or, if applicable, the deputy secretary or one of the deputy secretaries if several, may also hold the position of general secretary if so decided by the Board of Directors, with the duties assigned thereto by the Company's Corporate Governance System.	4. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, if applicable, the deputy secretary or one of the deputy secretaries if several, may also hold the position of general secretary if so decided by the Board of Directors, with the duties assigned thereto by the Company's Corporate Governance System.
		Article 45. Checks and Balances System: the Coordinating Director
		1. The Corporate Governance System shall provide the measures necessary to ensure that neither the

of the executive directors, must necessarily appoint from among the independent directors a coordinating director (consejero coordinador), who shall be especially empowered, when the coordinating director deems it appropriate, to: a) Ask the chairman of the Board of Directors to call a meeting thereof and to participate with the chairman in the planning of the annual schedule of meetings.
4. If the chairman of the Board of Directors has the status of executive director, the Board of Directors, upon a proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee and with the abstention
3. The appointment of an executive director as chairman of the Board of Directors shall require the favourable vote of at least two-thirds of the directors.
2. The Board of Directors shall adopt the measures necessary to ensure that both the chairman of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee and the chief executive officers are under its effective supervision.
chairman of the Board of Directors, nor the Executive Committee, nor the chief executive officers have a decision-making power that is not subject to appropriate checks and balances.

law and the Company's Corporate Governance System, acting in	with the diligence of a prudent businessperson—and, taking into
1. In the performance of the duties entrusted thereto, a director shall act in good faith and with the diligence of a prudent businessperson and a faithful representative, and shall comply with the duties prescribed by	1. In the performance of the duties entrusted thereto, a director shall act in good faith and The directors must carry out their office and comply with the duties imposed by law and the Corporate Governance System
Article 50. General Duties of Directors	Article 50.46. General Duties of Directors
Section 4. Rules Applicable to Directors	Section 4. Chapter IV. Rules Applicable to Directors
5. The Board of Directors shall appoint a counsel to the Board of Directors, who shall have the duties given thereto by applicable law. Such position may be held by the secretary, or the deputy secretary, if any, or one of the deputy secretaries if several, if they are attorneys and comply with the other requirements of applicable law and it is so decided by the Board of Directors.	of the chairman of the Board of Directors and lead any process for the succession thereof. The Board of Directors shall appoint a counsel to the Board of Directors, who shall have the duties given thereto by applicable law. Such position may be held by the secretary, or the deputy secretary, if any, or one of the deputy secretaries if several, if they are attorneys and comply with the other requirements of applicable law and it iscoordinating director may also maintain contacts with shareholders when so decided by the Board of Directors.
	 <u>Coordinate, meet with, and reflect the concerns of the non-executive directors.</u> <u>Direct the periodic evaluation</u>
	meeting of the Board of Directors and request the inclusion of matters on the agenda for meetings of the Board of Directors that have already been called.

	furtherance of the corporate interest.	account the nature of the office the duties attributed to each them. The directors must also out their office with the loyalty faithful representative, and comply with the duties present the duties present the duties present the company of the corporate of the company.	h of carry of a shall ribed any's stem, g in
2.	The Regulations of the Board of Directors shall elaborate upon the specific obligations of directors stemming from the duties of confidentiality, non-competition, and faithfulness, with special focus on conflict of interest situations.	established by law, and particuthose of confidentiality, competition,	n the ctors uties ularly non-and secial
3.	The Company may obtain civil liability insurance for the directors.	3. The Company may obtain insurance policy that covers civil liability insurance for of directors in the performance of duties.	the the
	cle 51. Terms of Office and Filling acancies	Article 51. Terms 47. Term of O and Filling of Vacancies	ffice
1.	The directors shall serve in their position for a term of four (4) years, so long as the shareholders acting at the General Shareholders' Meeting do not resolve to remove them and they do not resign from their position.	1. The directors shall serve in position for a term of four (4) y so long as the shareholders acti thea General Shareholders' Me do not resolve to remove them they do not resign from position.	rears, ng at eting and
2.	The directors must submit their resignation from the position and formally resign from their position upon the occurrence of any of the instances of incompatibility, lack of	2. The directors must submit resignation from the position formally resign from their posupon the occurrence of any o instances of incompatibility, law	and sition f the

- competence, structural competence, and permanent conflict of interest, or permanent conflict of interest, or prohibition against performing the prohibition against performing the duties of director provided by law or duties of director provided by law the Company's Corporate the Company's Governance System. Governance System. Directors may be re-elected to one or 3. Directors may be re-elected to one more terms of four (4) years. or more terms of four (4)-years. Vacancies that occur may, pursuant Vacancies that occur may, pursuant to law, be filled by the Board of to law, be filled by the Board of Directors on an interim basis until Directors on an interim basis until the next General Shareholders' the next General Shareholders' Meeting, whereat the shareholders Meeting, whereat the shareholders shall confirm the appointments or shall confirm the appointments or elect the persons who should replace elect the persons who should replace directors who are not directors who are not ratified, or it ratified, or it shall withdraw the shall withdraw the vacant positions. vacant positions. Article 52. Director Remuneration
 - **Article 52.48. Director Remuneration**
- 1 The Company shall allocate as an expense an amount equal to a maximum of two (2%) per cent of consolidated group profits obtained during the financial year for the following purposes:

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1. The Company shall annually allocate as an expense an amount equal to a maximum of two (2%)per cent of consolidated group profits obtained during preceding financial year for the following purposes:

structural

and

Corporate

- To remunerate the directors based on a) the offices held, and dedication to and attendance at meetings of the corporate decision-making bodies.
- To remunerate the directors, both for their status as such as well as for any executive duties, based on the offices held, and dedication to and attendance at meetings of the corporate decision-making bodies.
- b) To endow a fund to meet the obligations of the Company regarding pensions, the payment of life insurance premiums, and the payment of indemnification favour of current and former directors.
- To endow a fund to meet the obligations of the Company regarding pensions, the payment of life insurance premiums, and the payment indemnification severance compensation in favour of current and former directors.

In particular, in their status as such, directors shall receive remuneration consisting of a fixed annual amount, attendance fees, and appropriate risk coverage benefits (death and disability). In the case of termination prior to the end of the period for which they were appointed, non-executive directors who are not proprietary directors shall have the right to receive a severance payment for noncompetition unless their removal is due to a breach of the duties of director attributable thereto or to the sole decision thereof. The allocation of the maximum limit of The allocation of amount, subject to two (2%) per cent shall only occur if the maximum limit of two (2%) per profits for the financial year are sufficient cent-shall, may only occuraccrue if to cover legal and other mandatory profits for the <u>preceding</u> financial and the issuance vear are sufficient to cover legal shareholders of a dividend of at least four and other mandatory reserves and (4%) per cent of the share capital. theif there has been an issuance to the shareholders of a dividend of at least four (4%) per cent of the share capital charged to the results of such financial year. 2 Independently of the provisions of -Independently of the preceding section, and subject preceding provisions of the always to the approval of the sections, and subject always shareholders, the remuneration of to the approval of the shareholders directors may also consist of the at a General Shareholders' Meeting, delivery of shares or options thereon, the remuneration of directors may as well as a payment based on the also consist of the delivery of value of the Company's shares. shares or options thereon, as well as a payment based on the value of the Company's shares. 3. All rights and duties arising from All rights and duties arising from membership on the Board of membership on the Board Directors shall be compatible with Directors shall be compatible with all other rights, duties, and other rights, duties, indemnification to which the director indemnification to which

may be entitled by reason of other director may be entitled by reason professional employment of other employment or or relationships, if any, that such professional relationships, if any, director may have with that such director may have with Company. The fixed and variable the Company. The fixed and variable remuneration and the remuneration and the indemnification arising from the indemnification arising from the corresponding contracts shall be corresponding contracts shall be included in and paid with a charge to included in and paid with a charge the by-law allocation accorded to the to the by-law allocation accorded to Board of Directors in the preceding the Board of Directors in the section 1 preceding section 1. Article 53. Powers of Information and Article 53.49. Powers of Information Inspection and Inspection 1. A director shall have the broadest A director shall have the broadest powers obtain information to obtain information regarding aspect of the regarding any aspect of any Company, to examine its books, Company, to examine its books, records. documents. and other records, documents, and other background background information information corporate transactions, to inspect its corporate transactions, to inspect its facilities, and to communicate with facilities, and to communicate with the senior officers of the Company. the senior officers of the Company. 2 The exercise of the aforementioned The exercise of the aforementioned powers shall first be channelled powers shall first be channelled through the secretary of the Board of through the secretary of the Board Directors, who shall act on behalf of of Directors, who shall act on the chairman thereof pursuant to the behalf of the chairman thereof provisions of the Company's pursuant to the provisions of the Corporate Governance System. Company's Corporate Governance System. Section 5. Annual Corporate Governance Section 5. Annual Corporate Report and Corporate Website Governance Report and Corporate **Website** Article 54. **Corporate Article** Annual Annual Corporate Governance Report Governance Report The Board of Directors shall, on an The Board of Directors shall, on an annual basis and following a report annual basis and following a report from Social the Corporate the Corporate fromResponsibility Committee, approve an *Annual Corporate Governance Report* for the Company that shall include all specifications established by law and any other specifications that the Board of Directors deems appropriate to include therein.

- Responsibility Committee, approve an Annual Corporate Governance Report for the Company that shall include all specifications established by law and any other specifications that the Board of Directors deems appropriate to include therein.
- 2. The Annual Corporate Governance Report shall be included in a separate section within the management report, and shall therefore approved be simultaneously therewith and shall he made available to the shareholders together with other documents relating to the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 2. The Annual Corporate Governance
 Report shall be included in a separate section within the management report, and shall therefore be approved simultaneously therewith and shall be made available to the shareholders together with other documents relating to the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 3. In addition, public notice shall be given of the *Annual Corporate Governance Report* as provided in securities market rules and regulations.
- 3. In addition, public notice shall be given of the *Annual Corporate Governance Report* as provided in securities market rules and regulations.

Article 55. Corporate Website

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The Company shall maintain a corporate website to accommodate the exercise by the shareholders of the right to receive information and to disseminate all relevant information required by securities market laws, which shall include the documents and information provided for by law and the Company's Corporate Governance System and any other information that it is deemed appropriate to make available to the shareholders and investors through this medium.

The Company shall maintain a corporate website to accommodate the exercise by the shareholders of the right to receive information and to disseminate all relevant information required by securities market laws, which shall include the documents and information provided for by law and the Company's Corporate Governance System and any other information that it is deemed appropriate to make available to the shareholders and investors through this medium.

TITLE III. NEUTRALISATION OF LIMITATIONS IN THE EVENT OF TAKEOVER BIDS

TITLE HI. NEUTRALISATION OF LIMITATIONS IV.
BREAKTHROUGH OF

	RESTRICTIONS IN THE EVENT OF TAKEOVER BIDS
Article 56. Removal of Voting Limitations	Article 56.50. Removal of Voting Limitations
The limitation on the maximum number of votes that may be cast by a single shareholder contained in sections 3 to 5 of article 29 above and the voting prohibition of article 30 above which is imposed upon shareholders affected by conflicts of interest shall have no effect upon the occurrence of the following circumstances:	The prohibition on voting for shareholders affected by conflicts established in article 28 above and the limitation on the maximum number of votes that may be cast by a single shareholder contained in sections 32 to 54 of article 29 above and the voting prohibition of article 30 above which is imposed upon shareholders affected by conflicts of interest shall have noshall be deprived of effect upon the occurrence of the following circumstances:
a) When the Company is the target of a takeover bid aimed at the share capital as a whole; and	a) When when the Company is the target of a takeover bid aimed at the share capital as a whole; and
b) When, as a result of the takeover bid, an individual or a legal entity, or several of them acting jointly, acquire an interest equal to two-thirds (2/3) of the voting share capital of the Company, provided the full consideration thereof consists only of cash; or, alternatively,	b) Whenwhen, as a result of the takeover bid, an individual or a legal entity, or several of them acting jointlyin concert, acquire an interest equal to two-thirds (2/3) of the voting share capital of the Company, provided the full consideration thereoftherefor consists only of cash; or, alternatively,
c) When, as a result of the takeover bid, an individual or a legal entity, or several of them acting jointly, acquire an interest equal to three-fourths of the voting share capital of the Company, provided that the consideration thereof consists, in whole or in part, of securities, without giving the recipient an alternative right to receive such consideration wholly in cash.	c) e) Whenwhen, as a result of the takeover bid, an individual or a legal entity, or several of them acting jointlyin concert, acquire an interest equal to three-fourths of the voting share capital of the Company, provided that the consideration thereoftherefor consists, in whole or in part, of securities, without giving the recipient an alternative right to

	receive such consideration wholly in cash.
Article 57. Effectiveness of the Removal	Article 57.51. Effectiveness of the Removal
1. The removal of the limitation mentioned in the preceding article shall be effective from the date of publication of the result of the settlement of the bid in the Listing Bulletin (<i>Boletín de Cotización</i>) of the Bilbao Stock Exchange.	1. The removal of the limitationlimitations mentioned in the preceding article shall be effective from the date of publication of the result of the settlement of the bid in the Listing Bulletin (Boletín de Cotización) of the Bilbao Stock Exchange.
2. The directors of the Company shall have the power, as well as the duty, to take the actions necessary to formalise the by-law amendment referred to in section 1 above and to seek registration thereof with the Commercial Registry. Article 58. Amendments to Articles in	2. The directors of the Company shall have the power, as well as the duty, to take the actions necessary to formalise the by-law amendment referred to in section 1 above and to seek registration thereof with the Commercial Registry. Article 58.52. Amendments to Articles
Title III and Related Provisions	in Title HIV and Related Provisions
All resolutions intended to eliminate or amend the provisions contained in this title, in sections 3 to 5 of article 29, and in article 30 above shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the share conital present in person or by	All resolutions intended to eliminate or amend the provisions contained in this title Title, in article 28, and in sections 32 to 54 of article 29, and in article 3029 above shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the share capital
the share capital present in person or by proxy at a General Shareholders' Meeting.	present in person or by proxy at a General Shareholders' Meeting.
	present in person or by proxy at a General
proxy at a General Shareholders' Meeting. TITLE IV. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS, DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS,	present in person or by proxy at a General Shareholders' Meeting. TITLE IVY. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS, DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS,
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- end on 31 December of each year.
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	upon the terms established by law, once the initial period has expired.	shareholders upon the terms established by law, once the initial period has expired.
3.	The auditors shall prepare a detailed report on the results of their actions pursuant to the laws on the auditing of accounts.	3. The auditors shall prepare a detailed report on the results of their actions pursuant to the laws on the auditing of accounts. for the previous financial year.
	cle 61. Approval of Accounts and cation of Profits/Losses	Article 61.54. Approval of Accounts and Allocation of Profits/Losses
1.	The accounts of the Company and the consolidated accounts shall be submitted to the shareholders for approval at the General Shareholders' Meeting.	1. The annual accounts of the Company and the consolidated annual accounts shall be submitted to the shareholders for approval at the General Shareholders' Meeting.
2.	The shareholders shall decide at the General Shareholders' Meeting upon the allocation of profits or losses for the financial year in accordance with the approved balance sheet.	2. The shareholders shall decide at the General Shareholders' Meeting upon the allocation of profits or losses for the financial year in accordance with the approved balance sheet annual accounts.
3.	Once such payments as are provided for by these <i>By-Laws</i> or by law have been made, dividends may only be distributed with a charge against the profits for the financial year or against unrestricted reserves, if the book value of net assets is not less than the share capital, or does not become so as a result of the distribution.	3. Once such payments as are provided for by these <i>By-Laws</i> or by law have been made, dividends may only be distributed with a charge against the profits for the financial year or against unrestricted reserves, if the book value of net assets is not less than the share capital, or does not become so as a result of the distribution.
4.	If the shareholders resolve to distribute dividends, they shall establish the time and form of payment thereof. The establishment of these standards and of any others that may be required or appropriate to carry out the resolution may be	3. 4. —If the shareholders resolve to distribute dividendsa dividend, they shall establishdecide the time and form of payment thereof. The establishment of these standards and of any others that may be required or appropriate to carry out the resolution may be delegated to

delegated to the Board of Directors.	the Board of Directors.
5. The shareholders may resolve at the General Shareholders' Meeting that the dividend be paid totally or partially in kind, provided that the assets or securities to be distributed are homogeneous, they are admitted to trading on an official exchange at the time the resolution is made effective, or the Company duly guarantees the liquidity thereof within a maximum period of one year, and they are not distributed for a lesser value than the value set forth for them in the balance sheet of the Company.	resolve at the General Shareholders' Meeting that the dividend be paid totally or partially in kind, provided that the assets or securities to be distributed are homogeneous, they are admitted to trading on an official exchange at the time the resolution is made effective, or the Company duly guarantees the
6. The distribution of dividends to shareholders shall be made in proportion to their paid-up share capital.	5. 6. The distribution of dividends a dividend to shareholders shall be made in proportion to their paid-up share capital.
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The Board of Directors shall file the accounts and the management report of the Company, as well as the consolidated accounts and management report, together with the corresponding reports prepared by the auditors and all other mandatory documents, in such manner and within such periods as are prescribed by law.	The Board of Directors shall file the accounts and the management report of the Company, as well as the consolidated accounts—and—management—report, together with the corresponding reports prepared by the auditors and all other mandatory documents, in such manner and within such periods as are prescribed by law.
Chapter II. Dissolution and Liquidation of the Company	Chapter II. Dissolution and Liquidation of the Company
Article 63. Grounds for Dissolution	Article 63.55. Grounds for Dissolution
The Company shall be dissolved upon the occurrence of any of the events established	The Company shall be dissolved upon the occurrence of any of the events

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Article 64. Liquidation of the Company		Article 64.56. Liquidation of the Company	
1.	From the moment the Company declares itself to be in liquidation, the Board of Directors shall cease its duties and the directors shall become liquidators of the Company. They shall make up a collective body which must be composed of an odd number of members. If necessary for such purpose, the director having the least length of service since appointment shall cease to hold office.	1. From the moment the Company declares itself to be in liquidation, the Board of Directors shall cease its duties and the directors shall become liquidators of the Company. They shall make up a collective body which mustshall be composed of an odd number of members. If necessary for such purpose, the director having the least length of service since appointment or, in case of equal length, the director who is younger, shall cease to hold office.	
2.	During the liquidation period, the provisions of these <i>By-Laws</i> governing the call to and holding of General Shareholders' Meetings shall be complied with, and the shareholders shall be informed of the progress of the liquidation, so that the shareholders may adopt such resolutions as they deem appropriate.	2. During the liquidation period, the provisions of these <i>By-Laws</i> governing the call to and holding of General Shareholders' Meetings shall be complied with, and the shareholders shall be informed of the progress of the liquidation, so that the shareholders may adopt such resolutions as they deem appropriate.	
3.	All liquidating operations shall be carried out with due observance of applicable law.	3. All liquidating operations shall be carried out with due observance of applicable the provisions of law.	
Article 65. Supervening Assets and Liabilities		Article 65. Supervening Assets and Liabilities	
1.	If corporate property appears after the entries relating to the Company have been cancelled, the liquidators shall assign to the former shareholders the additional share to which they may be entitled, for which purpose such property shall be first converted into cash where	1. If corporate property appears after the entries relating to the Company have been cancelled, the liquidators shall assign to the former shareholders the additional share to which they may be entitled, for which purpose such property shall be first converted into cash where	

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After the passage of six (6) months from the date on which the liquidators were required to comply with the provisions of the foregoing without the former shareholders having been assigned the additional share, or in the absence of liquidators, any interested party may file a petition with the Court of First Instance of the Company's last registered office for the appointment of a person to replace the liquidators in the performance of their duties.

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- 2 The former shareholders shall be jointly and severally liable for all unpaid corporate liabilities up to the amount of what they may have received as their share in liquidation, without prejudice to the liability of the liquidators in the event of fraudulent or negligent conduct.
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- 3. In order to comply with formal requirements relating to legal acts performed prior to the cancellation of the entries of the Company, or whenever necessary, the former liquidators may formalise legal acts in the name of the defunct Company following its cancellation in the register. the absence liquidators, any interested party may file a petition for formalisation by the Court of First Instance of the place where the last registered office of the Company was located.
- In order to comply with formal requirements relating to legal acts performed prior to the cancellation of the entries of the Company, or whenever necessary, the former liquidators may formalise legal acts in the name of the defunct Company following its cancellation in the register. In the absence of liquidators, any interested party may file a petition for formalisation by the Court of First Instance of the place where the last registered office of the Company was located.

TITLE V. FINAL PROVISIONS

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that may arise between the Company and the shareholders with regard to the corporate affairs, both the Company and the shareholders waive the right to resort to their own jurisdiction and expressly submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of the place where the Company's registered office is located, except in those cases in which another jurisdiction is imposed by law that may arise between the Company and the shareholders with regard to the corporate affairs, both the Company and the shareholders waive the right to resort to their own jurisdiction and expressly submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of the place where the Company's registered office is located, except in those cases in which another jurisdiction is imposed by law.



REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF IBERDROLA, S.A. REGARDING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF THE REGULATIONS FOR THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING OF THE COMPANY INCLUDED IN ITEM NINE OF THE AGENDA FOR THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING CALLED TO BE HELD ON 27 AND 28 MARCH 2015, ON FIRST AND SECOND CALL, RESPECTIVELY

1. Purpose of the Report

This report has been prepared by the Board of Directors of IBERDROLA, S.A. ("**Iberdrola**" or the "**Company**") in order to provide a rationale for the proposed amendments of the *Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting* (the "**Regulations**") submitted to the shareholders for approval at the General Shareholders' Meeting of the Company under item nine on the agenda.

To facilitate the shareholders' understanding of the changes that give rise to these proposals, a description of the purpose of and rationale for such amendments is provided, and the proposed resolutions submitted to the shareholders for approval at the General Shareholders' Meeting are included below.

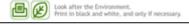
In addition, in order to facilitate a comparison between the new text of the articles proposed to be amended and the current text thereof, attached to this report as an Annex is a verbatim transcription of both texts organised in a two-column table, for information purposes. The text contained in the right-hand column shows the changes proposed to be made to the text currently in force, which is contained in the left-hand column.

2. Rationale for the Proposal

2.1 Introduction: Purposes of the Amendment

Iberdrola's corporate governance strategy consists of pursuing the fulfilment of the corporate interest, taking into account the other legitimate public or private interests that converge in its business activity and its institutional reality, particularly those of the various communities and territories in which the Company acts and those of its employees and other stakeholders linked to Iberdrola and to the group of companies of which the Company is the controlling company, within the meaning established by law (the "Group").

One of the main pillars underpinning such strategy is its commitment to best corporate governance, business ethics, and corporate social responsibility practices in all its areas of activity.



Such commitment is reflected, in particular, in the application, revision, and ongoing and systematic improvement of its Corporate Governance System, taking into account the good governance recommendations generally accepted in the international markets and the trends in this area.

As a result of such revision and ongoing improvement efforts, Iberdrola is one of the corporations with some of the most advanced corporate governance practices worldwide.

These proposed amendments of the *Regulations*, which are framed within the revision of the *By-Laws* submitted to the shareholders for approval at the General Shareholders' Meeting of the Company under item eight on the agenda, seeks to maintain Iberdrola's leadership position in the area of corporate governance.

As in the case of the aforementioned proposed amendment of the *By-Laws*, the shareholders are the main pillar around which the changes to the *Regulations* discussed in this report revolve.

In line with the *By-Laws*, the ultimate purpose pursued with these amendments is for the General Shareholders' Meeting to become a truly effective channel for participation, where all the shareholders can participate in corporate decisions in an informed manner, thereby contributing to their involvement in the life of the Company.

Specifically, the purposes of these amendments are the following:

- a) To introduce new legislative developments approved since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting and, in particular, the changes stemming from Law 31/2014, of 3 December, amending the Companies Act (*Ley de Sociedades de Capital*) to improve corporate governance ("Law 31/2014").
- b) To include and further develop in the *Regulations* the changes made to the *By-Laws* as a result of any amendments thereof approved by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting under item eight of the agenda.
- c) To make other corporate governance improvements reflecting the latest recommendations generally recognised in international markets.
 - This category of amendments particularly includes those designed to strengthen the framework of Iberdrola's relations with its shareholders, seeking to involve them in the life of the Company.
- d) Finally, advantage has been taken of the revision of the *Regulations* to simplify the text thereof and to make other improvements of a technical nature.

Furthermore, the judgments of the Supreme Court in its decision of 12 November 2014 and of the Provincial Court of Biscay in its decision of 28 December 2012 regarding the challenge to the text of these articles approved by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting held on 27 May 2011 have been taken into account in the proposed amendments of the current articles 9.3.c) and 28.2.c) (shareholders' right to receive information) of the *Regulations*.

2.2 Structure of the Proposed Amendment

Inasmuch as the same changes affect several articles, the proposed amendments have been grouped into four independent blocks for voting purposes in order to facilitate the proper exercise of shareholders' voting rights, pursuant to the provisions of section 197 *bis* of the Companies Act and article 34.1 of the *Regulations*. These are:

- A.- Amendment of the Preliminary Title and of Title I (Function, Types, and Powers).
- B.- Amendment of Titles II (*Call to the General Shareholders' Meeting*), III (*Right to Attend and Proxy Representation*) and IV (*Infrastructure and Equipment*).
 - C.- Amendment of Title V (Conduct of the General Shareholders' Meeting).
- D.- Amendment of Titles VI (*Voting and Adoption of Resolutions*), VII (*Closure and Minutes of the Meeting*) and VIII (*Subsequent Acts*).

Below is a description of the main amendments submitted to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, grouped in accordance with the four voting blocks described above:

2.3 Amendment of the Preliminary Title and of Title I (Function, Types, and Powers)

Preliminary Title

In article 1, it is proposed to include a reference to the principles of transparency and of the utmost participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, in line with the proposed amendments of the *By-Laws*, and to simplify the text thereof, omitting the detailed description of the Corporate Governance System, as it is already included in the *By-Laws*.

In article 5, in order to strengthen shareholders' rights to receive information, it is proposed to make the report obligatory in the event of an amendment of the *Regulations*, thus turning the practice followed by Iberdrola at its last General Shareholders' Meetings into a mandatory rule.

It is also proposed to create a new article 6 to govern key documents relating to

the conduct of the General Shareholders' Meeting: the *Shareholder's Guide*, any rules of implementation approved by the Board of Directors, and the management framework for the General Shareholders' Meeting.

The Shareholder's Guide is the document published by Iberdrola for the last eight General Shareholders' Meetings to facilitate the informed participation of all shareholders at General Shareholders' Meetings. The contents thereof of have evolved hand-in-hand with the Company's corporate governance strategy, making it a key instrument to favour the informed participation of the shareholders.

The purpose of the implementing rules for the General Shareholders' Meeting is to systematise, adapt, and specify the content of the Corporate Governance System as regards the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting, to ensure that it is conducted with all requisite guarantees.

Finally, the management framework for the General Shareholders' Meeting is a key internal document used to plan and coordinate the organisation thereof, as well as to facilitate the cooperation of all the internal divisions of Iberdrola that make the holding of such meeting possible.

The other changes in the articles of this chapter are minor technical improvements.

Function, Types, and Powers

In Title I, it is proposed to divide the current article 6 regarding the function and types of General Shareholders' Meetings into two new articles, 7 and 8, that will separately govern the function of the General Shareholders' Meeting and the types thereof.

In the first of such articles, in line with the basic purpose underlying the amendment of the *Regulations* and the by-law amendments proposed in item eight on the agenda, it is proposed to explain that the primary function of the General Shareholders' Meetings is to serve as the main channel for participation of the shareholders in the Company. Technical improvements of lesser significance are proposed in article 8.

The current article 7, which now becomes article 9, restates the powers of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, grouping them by blocks of subjects: those relating to the Board of Directors and the directors, to the annual accounts and corporate management, to the amendment of the rules of the Corporate Governance System, to the increase and reduction in share capital, acquisition of own shares and issuance of debentures, to structural changes of the Company, to the auditors, and to the winding-up and dissolution of the Company.

The new powers granted by Law 31/2014 to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting are also included.

Given that, in line with corporate governance recommendations on the matter, the current *Regulations* already gave the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting powers relating to the transfer of the Company's core activities to its subsidiaries, the acquisition, disposal, or contribution of core assets to another company, and the approval of transactions having an effect equivalent to liquidation of the Company, the new powers of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting proposed to be included are approval of the director remuneration policy and waiver for directors of the prohibitions stemming from the duty of loyalty in certain cases.

2.4 Amendment of Titles II (Call to the General Shareholders' Meeting), III (Right to Attend and Proxy Representation) and IV (Infrastructure and Equipment).

Call to the General Shareholders' Meeting

In Title II it is first proposed to reorganise the content of the current articles 8 and 10, which will be divided into the new articles 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15, and to make technical improvements in the text thereof.

The purpose behind all this is to clarify and make more readily understandable the regulations pertaining to the call to General Shareholders' Meeting.

In addition, in the new articles 10 and 12, it is proposed to include the improvements in shareholders' rights introduced by Law 31/2014, which reduces to three per cent the minimum percentage required to request the call to a General Shareholders' Meeting, the publication of a supplement to the call, and to submit alternative proposed resolutions.

In connection with the foregoing and as an improvement in corporate governance, included in article 12 is the Company's duty to publicise as early as possible the items on the agenda and/or the proposed resolutions submitted, as well as to publish a new form of attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card that takes them into account. The purpose of the foregoing is to promote shareholder participation and facilitate the effective exercise of such rights.

The new article 11 includes a new reference to the payment of the attendance bonus, in line with the proposed amendment in the new article 16 of the *By-Laws*, in order for payment of the attendance bonus to be made in a transparent and objective manner. This policy is currently included in the *General Corporate Governance Policy*.

In article 13 it is proposed to introduce a generic duty to increase the amount of information that must be made available to the shareholders following the call to

meeting, such that it is "all information additional to that required by law that [the Board of Directors] deems appropriate".

In article 14 it is proposed to increase the information that the Company must make available to its shareholders on its corporate website following the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Specifically, it is added that, at a minimum, in addition to the report with the rationale for the proposed appointment, re-election, or ratification of directors required by law following the amendment introduced by Law 31/2014, the Company must make available to the shareholders the approved annual corporate social responsibility report, the report on the independence of the auditor, and the activities reports (or integrated activities report) of the consultative committees of the Board of Directors.

In line with the amendment introduced in the new article 19 of the *By-Laws*, article 15 extends the period during which the shareholders may exercise their right to receive information prior to the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting, in accordance with the amendment of the Companies Act introduced by Law 31/2014. It also describes the new instances in which the Board of Directors is not required to provide such information, all in accordance with the provisions of the new section 197 of the Companies Act after the amendment made by Law 31/2014, and with the amendment of the current article 20 of the *By-Laws* (which now becomes article 19) if approved by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting under item eight on the agenda.

Right to Attend

As noted above, the purpose of the amendment is to make the General Shareholders' Meeting a truly effective instrument within which all the shareholders can participate in corporate decisions in an informed manner, helping to involve them in the life of the Company.

Further developing this principle, it is proposed to create a new article 16 within the current Title III (to be entitled "Right to Attend and Proxy Representation"), that clearly reflects the mandate to the Board of Directors to adopt such measures as may be appropriate to promote the utmost participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting.

It is also proposed to insert at the end of the current article 11 (new article 18) a reference to the attendance of personnel from the Office of the Shareholder and to the person appointed by the Company to receive the questions asked by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting and through other channels of participation, the regulations governing which it is proposed to include in the new article 27.

Right to Proxy Representation

Technical improvements are made to the regulations governing the right to proxy representation, and it is proposed to amend the content of the current article 12, which will become the new article 19. Specifically, section 2 provides a fuller and simpler description of the various ways in which a proxy may be granted: through delivery of the attendance card to the proxy-holder, entrusting it to the Company at the premises provided for such purpose, sending it by postal correspondence, or by completing a form provided for such purpose through the corporate website.

In connection with this last section, as an innovation, it is proposed to introduce regulations governing the use of passwords, which the Company may send to the shareholders, and through which they will be able to use the corporate website not only to appoint a proxy, but also to cast an absentee vote and to exercise their right to receive information prior to the General Shareholders' Meeting, without prejudice to other possible applications that the Company may make available to the shareholders.

The purpose of this measure is to facilitate participation from a distance through the corporate website, with all requisite guarantees.

Finally, it is proposed to amend article 20 to make provision for the possibility of the Company itself issuing the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards whenever technically possible.

The aim behind all this is to allow for the use of all possible technical means to promote the greatest possible participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Infrastructure and Equipment

In chapter IV it is first proposed, to include in article 21, which replaces the current article 14, the content of the new article 20 of the *By-Laws* following the amendment, if any, approved by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting in the proposed resolution included under item eight on the agenda.

Such article 20 provides that the General Shareholders' Meeting must be held within the municipal territory of Bilbao. This follows the rule of the General Department of Registries and Notarial Offices (*Dirección General de los Registros y del Notariado*) on the interpretation of section 175 of the Companies Act.

In the new article 22, which replaces the current article 15, it is proposed to develop the regulations concerning the protection of the right to one's own image and of personal data to facilitate the broadcasting of General Shareholders' Meetings and thereby contribute to their dissemination to all those interested in following the proceedings from a distance.

In the same article, there is contemplation of the adoption of measures allowing for the participation of all the shareholders, including the adoption of measures to remove impediments that may affect the effective participation at the General Shareholders' Meeting of attendees with auditory or visual limitations, in line with Iberdrola's commitment to encourage the participation of the shareholders.

The other amendments to the articles of this title are of a technical nature.

2.5 Amendment of Title V (Conduct of the General Shareholders' Meeting).

The purpose of the changes in Title V is to simplify its structure and to update the regulations for the conduct of the General Shareholders' Meeting.

To that end, it is proposed to consolidate and simplify the text concerning the powers of the chairman of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting contained in the current articles 20 and 21, which now become articles 27 and 28.

In the new article 27, it is proposed to clarify that the executive directors and the senior officers of the Company will have the duty to report on the progress of the Company and to present the results thereof.

It is also proposed to introduce a new section 3 in such article to provide for the possibility of a representative of the Company describing to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, in an organised manner, the questions or concerns that the shareholders communicate to the Company.

In addition, it is proposed to remove the differentiation between the interim and the final quorum, and unify within a new article 33 the content of the current articles 24 and 30, the current text of which govern the commencement of the meeting and the confirmation of the establishment of a quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Specifically, such representative would be able to describe both the questions that attendees at the General Shareholders' Meeting wish to ask and such other questions as the Company may receive from the shareholders through other channels for participation, outside of the formal setting of the General Shareholders' Meeting.

This will promote the enrichment of the content of the shareholder presentations and is intended to contribute to the effective discharge of the duties of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting as a decision-making body.

Finally, in order to strengthen the right of the shareholders to receive information, it is proposed to establish in the current article 26, which now becomes the new article 32, the duty to report to the shareholders on the main items of the *Annual Corporate Governance Report*, with particular emphasis on any changes since the last General Shareholders' Meeting and on those instances of failure to comply with corporate governance recommendations that the Company has explained in such report, as well as

on any qualifications included in the auditor's report on the annual accounts.

The proposed amendment also specifies that the reports to be submitted during the General Shareholders' Meeting shall generally be submitted by the executive directors and the senior officers of the Company in a manner consistent with the assignment thereto of the duty to report on the progress of the Company and to present the results thereof

2.6 Amendment of Titles VI (Voting and Adoption of Resolutions), VII (Closure and Minutes of the Meeting) and VIII (Subsequent Acts).

Voting and Adoption of Resolutions

As regards the system for voting and adoption of resolutions, it is proposed to include in the current article 33, which now becomes the new article 39, the possibility of using the personal passwords described above.

In article 40, it is proposed to include the content of the new section 197 *bis* of the Companies Act introduced by Law 31/2014, which governs certain instances in which separate votes for each matter are to be held.

Last, in order to reflect the new majority system for the adoption of resolutions at the General Shareholders' Meeting introduced by Law 31/2014, it is proposed to amend section 2 of the current article 35, which now becomes article 41.

The other changes in the articles of Title IV are technical in nature.

Closure, Minutes of the Meeting, and Subsequent Acts

The purpose of the changes made in Titles VII (*Closure and Minutes of the Meeting*) and VIII (*Subsequent Acts*) is to make minor technical drafting improvements, making the text thereof consistent with that of the other articles of the previous titles.

3. Proposed Resolution Submitted to the Shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting

The proposed resolution submitted to the shareholders for approval at the General Shareholders' Meeting reads as follows:

"ITEM NINE ON THE AGENDA

Amendments of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting in order to conform the text thereof to Law 31/2014, of 3 December, amending the Companies Act to improve corporate governance, and to include other improvements in the area of corporate governance and of a technical nature.

RESOLUTION

A.- Amendment of the Preliminary Title and of Title I (Function, Types, and Powers).

To amend the articles currently making up the Preliminary Title and Title I of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"PRELIMINARY TITLE

Article 1. Purpose

- 1. The Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting (the "Regulations") contain the principles for conducting the General Shareholders' Meeting of IBERDROLA, S.A. (the "Company"), as well as the basic rules for the call, preparation, and holding thereof.
- 2. The Regulations seek to achieve greater transparency, efficiency, and impetus to the functions of deliberation and decision-making by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, to guarantee equal treatment of all shareholders in the same situation with respect to information, participation and the exercise of voting rights at the General Shareholders' Meeting, and particularly to promote the maximum participation of the shareholders and their involvement in the life of the Company.
- 3. The recommendations on good governance generally recognised in the international markets have been taken into account in the preparation hereof.

Article 2. Scope of Application and Effectiveness

- 1. These Regulations shall apply to all General Shareholders' Meetings held by the Company.
- 2. They shall have indefinite duration and shall become effective upon the first General Shareholders' Meeting to be called after the meeting at which it is resolved that these Regulations or any subsequent amendments hereof be approved, without prejudice to the rights previously accorded to the shareholders under legal and by-law provisions.

Article 3. Dissemination

These Regulations and any amendments hereto shall be communicated to the National Securities Market Commission (Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores) and registered with the Commercial Registry (Registro Mercantil) pursuant to applicable rules and regulations. The current text of these Regulations shall be made available on the Company's corporate website.

Article 4. Priority and Interpretation

- 1. These Regulations further develop and complement legal and by-law provisions applicable to the General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall prevail in the event of contradiction therewith, and shall be interpreted in accordance with the Corporate Governance System, of which they form a part.
- 2. Any questions that may arise in connection with the interpretation or application hereof shall be resolved by the Board of Directors, which shall propose such amendments, if any, as it deems appropriate. Those that might arise during the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be settled by the chair thereof.

Article 5. Amendment

- 1. The Board of Directors, and shareholders who individually or collectively represent at least three per cent of the share capital of the Company, shall have the right to propose amendments to the Regulations.
- 2. The full text of the proposed amendment and a report providing the rationale therefor prepared by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders making the proposal shall be made available to the shareholders at the time of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting at which the decision is to be made regarding the aforementioned proposal.

Article 6. Shareholder's Guide, Rules of Implementation, and Management Framework for the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. In order to promote and facilitate the informed participation of the shareholders, upon the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting the Board of Directors shall make available thereto a Shareholder's Guide that clearly explains the most significant aspects regarding the operation thereof and the procedures established for the exercise of their rights at the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 2. The Board of Directors may approve rules of implementation that systematise, adapt, and specify the provisions of the Corporate Governance System regarding the General Shareholders' Meeting and the rights of the shareholders related thereto, within the framework of the corporate interest.
- 3. The Board of Directors shall also entrust to the secretary thereof the preparation and ongoing update of a management framework to coordinate and facilitate the monitoring of all activities necessary for the planning, preparation, call, holding and formalisation of the resolutions at each General Shareholders' Meeting.

TITLE I. FUNCTION, TYPES, AND POWERS

Article 7. Function

- 1. The General Shareholders' Meeting is the principal channel for participation of the shareholders within the Company and its sovereign decision-making body, wherein all duly convened shareholders meet to debate and decide by the required majorities those matters within their power, or to be informed of those other matters that the Board of Directors or the shareholders deem appropriate upon the terms provided by law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. Decisions of the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting bind all shareholders, including shareholders who are absent, vote against, abstain from voting, vote in blank, or lack the right to vote, without prejudice to the rights they may have to challenge such resolutions.

Article 8. Types

- 1. A General Shareholders' Meeting may be annual or extraordinary.
- 2. The shareholders acting at an annual General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall be previously called for such purpose, must meet within the first six months of each financial year in order to approve the corporate management, approve the annual accounts for the prior financial year, and decide upon the allocation of profits or losses from such financial year. Resolutions may also be adopted at the annual General Shareholders' Meeting regarding any other matter within the power of the shareholders, provided that such matters appear on the agenda of the call to meeting or are legally appropriate and that the required quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting has been formed for such purpose.
- 3. Any General Shareholders' Meeting not provided for in the preceding section shall be deemed to be an Extraordinary General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 9. Powers

- 1. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall decide the matters assigned thereto by law, the By-Laws or these Regulations, and in any case regarding the following:
 - *A)* With respect to the Board of Directors and the directors:
 - a) The appointment, re-election, and removal of directors, as well as the ratification of directors designated by interim appointment to fill vacancies.

- b) The approval of the establishment and application of systems for remuneration of the Company's directors consisting of the delivery of shares or of rights therein or remuneration based on the value of the shares.
- c) Relieving the directors from the prohibitions arising from the duty of loyalty, when authorisation is attributed by law to the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, as well as from the obligation not to compete with the Company.
- *d)* The exercise of derivative liability actions against directors.
- *B)* With respect to the annual accounts and corporate management:
 - a) The approval of the individual annual accounts of the Company and of the annual accounts of the Company consolidated with those of its subsidiaries.
 - *b)* The allocation of profits/losses.
 - c) The approval of corporate management.
- *C)* With respect to amendments to the Corporate Governance System:
 - *a)* The amendment of the By-Laws.
 - *b)* The approval and amendment of these Regulations.
 - c) The approval of the director remuneration policy upon the terms provided by law.
- D) With respect to an increase or reduction in share capital, acquisition of own shares and issue of debentures:
 - *a)* An increase or reduction in share capital.
 - b) The delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to increase share capital, in which case it may also grant thereto the power to exclude or limit pre-emptive rights, upon the terms established by law.
 - c) The delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to carry out a capital increase already approved by the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting, within the periods set forth by law, indicating the date or dates of execution and establishing the conditions for the increase as to all matters not provided for by the shareholders. In this case, the Board of Directors may make use of such delegation, in

whole or in part, or may refrain from using it, in view of market conditions or the condition of the Company itself, or of particularly relevant facts or circumstances that justify such decision, and shall report thereon to the shareholders at the first General Shareholders' Meeting held after the end of the period granted for the use of such delegation.

- *d)* The exclusion or limitation of pre-emptive rights.
- e) The authorisation for the derivative acquisition of the Company's own shares.
- f) The issuance of debentures and other negotiable securities and the delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to issue them, as well as the power to exclude or limit pre-emptive rights, upon the terms established by law.
- E) With respect to structural changes of the Company and functionally similar operations:
 - *a)* The transformation of the Company
 - b) The merger or split-off of the Company upon the terms provided by law.
 - c) The overall assignment of assets and liabilities.
 - *d)* The transfer of the registered office abroad.
 - e) The transfer to controlled entities of core activities that were previously carried out by the Company itself, even if it retains full ownership of such entities;
 - f) The acquisition, transfer, or contribution of key assets from or to another company.
- *F) With respect to auditors:*
 - *a)* The appointment, re-election, and removal of the auditors.
 - *b)* The exercise of derivative liability actions against the auditors.
- *G)* With respect to the dissolution and liquidation of the Company.
 - *a)* The dissolution of the Company.

- *b) The appointment and removal of the liquidators.*
- c) The approval of the final liquidating balance sheet.
- *d)* The exercise of derivative liability actions against the liquidators.
- e) The approval of transactions having an effect equivalent to liquidation of the Company.
- 2. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall also decide any other matter submitted to them by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders in the instances provided by law or that is within their power pursuant to law or the Corporate Governance System.
- 3. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall also decide, by way of a consultative vote, on the annual director remuneration report, and may also make a pronouncement on any other reports or proposals submitted by the Board of Directors."

<u>B.- Amendment of Titles II (Call to the General Shareholders' Meeting), III (Right to Attend and Proxy Representation) and IV (Infrastructure and Equipment).</u>

To amend the articles currently making up Titles II, III, and IV of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"TITLE II. CALL TO THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING

Article 10. Call to the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be formally called by the Board of Directors.
- 2. The Board of Directors must call the General Shareholders' Meeting in the following events:
 - *a) In the event set forth in article 8.2 above.*
 - b) If the meeting is requested, in the manner provided by law, by shareholders who individually or collectively represent at least three per cent of the share capital, which request sets forth the matters to be addressed. In this event, the Board of Directors shall call for the General Shareholders' Meeting to be held within the statutorily prescribed deadline. The Board of Directors shall prepare the agenda of the call, which must include the matters specified in the request.

- c) When a takeover bid is made for the securities of the Company, in order to report to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting and to deliberate and decide upon the matters submitted for their consideration.
- 3. The Board of Directors may request the presence of a notary public to assist with and draw up the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting. In any event, the Board must request the presence of a notary public under the circumstances provided by law.

Article 11. Announcement of Call to Meeting and Agenda

- 1. The announcement of the call to meeting shall be published as much in advance as required by law, using at least the following media:
 - a) The Official Gazette of the Commercial Registry (Boletín Oficial del Registro Mercantil) or one of the more widely circulated newspapers in Spain.
 - b) The website of the National Securities Market Commission.
 - c) The Company's corporate website.
- 2. The announcement of the call to meeting must contain all statements required by law in each case and must set forth:
 - a) The day, place, and time of the meeting upon first call and the agenda, with a statement of all matters to be dealt with.
 - b) A clear and specific description of the procedures and periods that the shareholders must observe in order to request the publication of a supplement to the call to the Annual General Shareholders' Meeting, submit well-founded proposals for resolutions, or exercise their rights to receive information, to cast an absentee vote, and to grant a proxy, upon the terms provided by law.
 - c) The date on which the holders of the Company's shares must have them registered in their name in the corresponding book-entry register to be able to attend and vote at the General Shareholders' Meeting being called.
 - d) A statement of where and how the complete text of the documents to be submitted at the General Shareholders' Meeting can be obtained, particularly including the reports of the directors, of the auditors, and of the independent experts to be submitted and the complete text of the proposed resolutions submitted to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting for adoption.

- e) The address of the Company's corporate website.
- f) The attendance bonus that the Board of Directors may resolve to pay to shareholders appearing at the General Shareholders' Meeting in accordance with the policy approved for such purpose.

The announcement may also set forth the date on which the General Shareholders' Meeting shall proceed upon second call, if applicable.

3. The shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting may not deliberate on or decide matters that are not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, unless otherwise provided by law.

Article 12. Supplement to the Call to Meeting and Submission of Well-founded Proposed Resolutions

- 1. Shareholders who individually or collectively represent at least three per cent of the share capital may:
 - a) Request the publication of a supplement to the call to the Annual General Shareholders' Meeting including one or more items in the agenda of the call to meeting, so long as the new items are accompanied by a rationale or, if applicable, by a duly substantiated proposal for a resolution.
 - b) Submit well-founded proposed resolutions regarding matters already included or that should be included in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting.

The written notice of the exercise of such rights shall specify the name or the corporate name of the requesting shareholder or shareholders, and there shall be attached thereto such documentation as evidences the status thereof as shareholder, in order for such information to be checked against that provided by Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U. (Iberclear), as well as the contents of the item or items proposed. Under the circumstances set forth in letter a), the Board of Directors may require that the shareholder also attach the proposed resolution or resolutions and, if legally required, in the instances set forth in letters a) and b), the report or reports providing a rationale for the proposals.

- 2. The shareholders' rights mentioned in the preceding section must be exercised by duly authenticated notice sent to the Company's registered office within the periods provided by law.
- 3. The Company shall publicise the items on the agenda and/or the proposed resolutions submitted in accordance with the preceding sections as soon as possible, within the legally mandated periods, and shall publish a new form of

attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card that takes them into account. The Company shall also ensure the dissemination of these proposed resolutions and any documentation attached thereto to the other shareholders, in accordance with the provisions of law.

Article 13. Availability of Information

- 1. At the time of the call to meeting, the Board of Directors shall make available to the shareholders all information additional to that required by law that it deems appropriate and that contributes to a better understanding by shareholders with respect to the exercise of their rights in connection with the General Shareholders' Meeting and of the matters to be dealt with thereat.
- 2. When the shareholders are to deal with an amendment to the By-Laws, besides the statements required by law in each case, the announcement of the call to meeting must make clear the right of all shareholders to examine at the Company's registered office the complete text of the proposed amendment and the report thereon and to request that such documents be delivered or sent to them without charge.
- 3. In all cases in which the law so requires, such information and additional documentation as is mandatory shall be made available to the shareholders.

Article 14. Corporate Website

- 1. The Company shall use its corporate website to promote the informed participation of all shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting and to facilitate the exercise of their rights related thereto.
- 2. From the date of publication of the announcement of the call to meeting through the date of holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting in question, the Company's corporate website shall continuously publish such information as is required by law or deemed appropriate to facilitate and promote the attendance and participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, including in any case the following:
 - *a)* The announcement of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting.
 - b) The total number of shares and voting rights existing on the date of the announcement of the call to meeting, broken down by classes of shares, if any.
 - c) Such documents relating to the General Shareholders' Meeting as are required by law, including the reports of directors, the auditors, and the independent experts that are expected to be submitted, proposed resolutions submitted by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders, and any other

relevant information that the shareholders might need in order to cast their vote.

- d) In the event that the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting must deliberate on the appointment, re-election, or ratification of directors, the corresponding proposed resolution shall be accompanied by the following information: professional profile and biographical data of the director; other boards of directors on which the director holds office, at listed companies or otherwise; type of director such person is or should be, with mention, in the case of proprietary directors, of the shareholder that proposes or proposed the appointment thereof or who the director represents or with which the director maintains ties; date of the director's first and any subsequent appointments as director of the Company; and shares of the Company and derivative financial instruments whose underlying assets are shares of the Company of which such director is the holder; the report prepared by the Board of Directors and the proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee in the case of independent directors, and the report of the Committee in other cases.
- e) The existing channels of communication between the Company and the shareholders and, in particular, explanations pertinent to the exercise of the right to receive information, indicating the postal and e-mail addresses to which the shareholders may direct their requests.
- f) The means and procedures for granting a proxy to attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and for casting absentee votes, including the form of attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card, if any.
- g) The annual reports that the Board of Directors has approved regarding corporate social responsibility.
- h) The report on the independence of the auditor prepared by the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee.
- i) The activities reports or integrated activities report of the consultative committees of the Board of Directors.
- 3. The Company shall use its best efforts to include in its corporate website, beginning on the date of the announcement of the call to meeting, an English version of the information and the principal documents related to the General Shareholders' Meeting. In the event of a discrepancy between the Spanish and English versions, the former shall prevail.
- 4. Pursuant to the provisions of applicable legislation, an Electronic Shareholders' Forum shall be enabled on the Company's corporate website on occasion of the

call to the General Shareholders' Meeting. Duly verified shareholders and shareholder groups may access the Electronic Shareholders' Forum, the use of which shall conform to its legal purpose and to the assurances and rules of operation established by the Company.

Article 15. Requests for Information Prior to the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. From the date of publication of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting through and including the fifth day prior to the date provided for the first call to meeting, the shareholders may request in writing the information or clarifications that they deem are required or ask written questions that they deem pertinent regarding (i) the matters contained in the agenda for the meeting; (ii) information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Market Commission since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting; and (iii) the audit report.
- 2. All such requests for information or questions may be made or asked by delivery of the request to the Company's registered office, or by delivery to the Company via mail or other means of electronic or long-distance data transmission sent to the address specified in the announcement of the call to meeting or, in the absence thereof, to the Office of the Shareholder (Oficina del Accionista). Requests shall be allowed that include the recognised electronic signature of the requesting party, the personal passwords referred to in letter c of article 19.2 below, or that use other mechanisms that the Board of Directors deems sufficient to ensure the authenticity and identity of the shareholder, after an express resolution adopted for such purpose.
- 3. Regardless of the means used, the request must include the shareholder's first and last names or company name, with evidence of the shares owned, in order for this information to be checked against the list of shareholders and the number of shares in the shareholders' name provided by "Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U." (IBERCLEAR) for the General Shareholders' Meeting in question. The shareholder shall be responsible for showing delivery of the request to the Company as and when due.
- 4. The Board of Directors shall be required to provide the information requested pursuant to the two preceding paragraphs in the form and within the periods set forth in the law, in the By-Laws, and in these Regulations, except in cases in which it is unnecessary for the protection of shareholder rights, there are objective reasons to believe that it might be used for ultra vires purposes, or that publication of the information might prejudice the Company or related companies.

- 5. The information requested may not be denied if it is supported by shareholders representing at least twenty-five per cent of the share capital.
- 6. The Board of Directors may authorise any of its members, its secretary, its deputy secretary or deputy secretaries, or any other person it deems appropriate, in order for any of them to respond on behalf of the Board of Directors to shareholder requests for information.
- 7. To ensure the equal treatment of all shareholders, valid requests for information, clarification, or requests made in writing by the shareholders and the answers provided in the same form by the Board of Directors or the persons delegated thereby shall be included in the corporate website of the Company.
- 8. If, prior to the presentation of a specific question, the information requested is clearly, expressly, and directly available to all shareholders on the corporate website in question/answer format, the answer may consist of a reference to the information provided in such format.

TITLE III. RIGHTS TO ATTEND AND TO PROXY REPRESENTATION

Article 16. Participation

The Board of Directors shall adopt appropriate measures to encourage maximum participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 17. Attendance

- 1. All holders of at least one voting share may attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and take part in deliberations thereof, with the right to be heard and to vote.
- 2. In order to exercise the right to attend, shareholders must cause the shares to be registered in their name in the corresponding book-entry register at least five days prior to the day on which the General Shareholders' Meeting is to be held. This circumstance must be evidenced with the appropriate attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card, validation certificate, or other valid form of verification, which will be required at each General Shareholders' Meeting based on the systems available to verify the status of the attendees.

Article 18. Other Attendees

- 1. The members of the Board of Directors must attend the General Shareholders' Meeting. The absence of any of them shall not affect the validity thereof.
- 2. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may authorise the meeting to be attended by officers, employees, and other person with an interest in the orderly

- conduct of corporate matters, as well as by the media, financial analysts, and any other person the chair deems appropriate. The shareholders acting at the General Shareholders' Meeting may revoke such authorisation.
- 3. Personnel from the Office of the Shareholder and the person performing the duties described in article 27.3 below shall also attend the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 19. Right to Proxy Representation

- 1. Shareholders may exercise the right to attend personally or through proxy representation by another person, whether or not such person is a shareholder, by complying with the requirements of law and the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. The proxy may be granted by delivering to the proxy representative the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or any other means of verifying the grant of a proxy that is accepted by the Company, or by any of the following means:
 - a) Advance delivery of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or any other means of verifying the grant of a proxy that is accepted by the Company at the premises provided by the Company on the days announced in the Company's corporate website.
 - b) Sending the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or any other means of verifying the grant of a proxy that is accepted by the Company by postal correspondence addressed to the Company.
 - c) By electronic correspondence, completing the proxy form available on the Company's corporate website, using a recognised electronic signature of the shareholder or other type of guarantee that the Company deems proper to ensure the authenticity and identification of the shareholder granting the proxy.
 - For these purposes, the use of the personal passwords that the Company has previously delivered to the shareholder by postal or electronic correspondence to the address that the shareholder has communicated to the Company or through any other form determined by the Board of Directors shall be deemed to be a proper assurance.
- 3. A proxy granted by any of the means indicated in letters a), b), or c) of the preceding section must be received by the Company before 24:00 on the day immediately prior to the day on which the General Shareholders' Meeting is held upon first call or upon second call, as applicable.

- 4. The Board of Directors is authorised to further develop the foregoing provisions by establishing rules, means, and procedures adjusted to current techniques in order to organise the grant of proxies by electronic means, in each case in accordance with the rules and regulations issued for such purpose.
 - Specifically, the Board of Directors may establish rules for the use of personal passwords and other guarantees other than electronic signatures for the granting of proxies by electronic correspondence, reduce the advance period established above for receipt by the Company of proxies granted by postal or electronic correspondence, and allow and authorise the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the persons acting by delegation therefrom to accept any absentee votes received after such period, to the extent allowed by the means available.
- 5. The chairman and the secretary of the Board of Directors or the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation from either of them, shall have the broadest powers for verifying the identity of the shareholders and their representatives, verifying the ownership and status of their rights, and recognising the validity of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or the instrument evidencing attendance or representation by proxy.
- 6. A proxy is always revocable. Attendance by the shareholder granting the proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting, whether in person or due to having cast an absentee vote on a date subsequent to that of the proxy, shall have the effect of revoking the proxy.
- 7. A public solicitation for proxies by the Board of Directors or any of its members shall be governed by the provisions of law and by the corresponding resolution of the Board of Directors, if any.
- 8. A proxy may cover those matters that the law allows to be dealt with at the General Shareholders' Meeting even when not included in the agenda.
- 9. If the proxy has been validly granted pursuant to law and these Regulations but does not include voting instructions or questions arise as to the intended proxyholder or the scope of the representation, and unless otherwise indicated by the shareholder, it shall be deemed that: (i) the proxy is granted in favour of the chairman of the Board of Directors; (ii) refers to all of the items included in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting; (iii) contains the instruction to vote favourably on all proposals made by the Board of Directors with respect to the items on the agenda of the call to meeting; and (iv) extends to matters that, although not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, may be dealt with at the General Shareholders' Meeting in accordance with law, in respect of which the proxy-holder shall vote in the direction the proxy-holder

deems most favourable to the interests of the shareholder granting the proxy, within the framework of the corporate interest.

This provision may be further developed by any rules approved by the Board of Directors that systematise, further develop, adapt, and specify the provisions of the Corporate Governance System regarding the management of the General Shareholders' Meeting.

- 10. Before being appointed, the proxy-holder shall provide detailed information to the shareholder regarding the existence of any conflict of interest. If the conflict is subsequent to the appointment and the shareholder granting the proxy has not been advised of the possible existence of such conflict, the proxy-holder shall immediately inform the shareholder thereof. In both cases, if the proxy-holder has not received new specific voting instructions regarding each of the matters on which the proxy-holder has to vote on behalf of the shareholder, the proxy-holder shall abstain from voting, without prejudice to the provisions of the following section.
- 11. Unless otherwise expressly indicated by the shareholder, if the proxy-holder is affected by a conflict of interest and has no specific voting instructions, or if the proxy-holder has them but it is deemed preferable that the proxy-holder not exercise the proxy with respect to the items involved in the conflict of interest, the shareholder shall be deemed to have appointed the following persons as proxy-holders for such items, severally and successively, in the event that any of them is in turn affected by a conflict of interest: first, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, second, the secretary therefor, and finally, the deputy secretary of the Board of Directors, if any. In this latter event, if there are several deputy secretaries, the order to be used shall be the order established at the time of their appointment (first deputy secretary, second deputy secretary, etc.). The proxy representative so designated shall cast the vote in the direction deemed most favourable to the interests of the person represented thereby, within the framework of the corporate interest.
- 12. A proxy representative may hold the proxy of more than one shareholder without limitation as to the number of shareholders being represented, and exercise the corresponding voting rights pursuant to the provisions of article 40.3 below.

Article 20. Attendance, Proxy, and Absentee Voting Cards

1. The Company may issue the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards for the participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, and also propose to the entities participating in "Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U." (IBERCLEAR) and to the brokers, representatives, and depositaries in general, the form of such cards as well as the formula that must be recited in order to delegate proxy

representation, which, in the absence of specific instructions from the party granting the proxy, may also set forth the way for the proxy-holder to vote with respect to each of the resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors in connection with each item on the agenda of the call to meeting. The attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card may also specify the identity of the proxy-holder and the alternate or alternates for the proxy-holder in the event of a conflict of interest, in the absence of express appointment by the shareholder being represented.

The Company shall ensure that the cards issued by such entities are uniform and include a bar code or other system that allows for the reading thereof by electronic or long-distance data transmission means in order to facilitate the computerised calculation of shares represented in person and by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting.

- 2. The proxy or voting instructions of the shareholders acting through brokers, representatives, or depositaries may be received by the Company through any valid system or means of long-distance communication, signed by the shareholder or by the entity. The entities may group together instructions received from shareholders and send them in a block to the Company, indicating the direction of such instructions.
- 3. If a broker, representative, or depositary sends to the Company an attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or verification instrument of a shareholder duly identified in the document with the signature, stamp, and/or mechanical impression of the entity, and unless the shareholder expressly indicates otherwise, it shall be deemed that the shareholder has instructed such entity to exercise the proxy or voting right, as applicable, in the direction indicated in such card or instrument evidencing the proxy or vote. If there are questions regarding such instructions, it shall be deemed that the shareholder grants the proxy to the chairman of the Board of Directors with the scope set forth in these Regulations and that the shareholder gives specific instructions to vote in favour of the proposals made by the Board of Directors in connection with the items on the agenda of the call to meeting.
- 4. In other respects, the other rules contained in the Corporate Governance System and those established by the Board of Directors in order to further develop such rules shall apply to the proxies and absentee votes referred to in this article.
- 5. All of the foregoing shall be without prejudice to the regulations applicable to the relations between financial intermediaries and their customers for purposes of the exercise of the rights to grant a proxy and to vote.

TITLE IV. INFRASTRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT

Article 21. Place of the Meeting

- 1. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be held at the place indicated in the call to meeting within the municipal territory of Bilbao. If no place is indicated in the call, it shall be deemed that the meeting will take place at the registered office.
- 2. The General Shareholders' Meeting may be attended by going to the place where the meeting is held or, if so indicated in the call to meeting, to other places provided for such purpose by the Company and that are connected with the principal meeting place by systems that allow recognition and identification of the parties attending, permanent communication among the attendees regardless of their location, and participation and voting, all in real time. Attendees at any of such places shall be considered to be attendees at the same individual meeting, which shall be deemed to have been held at the principal location thereof.

Article 22. Infrastructure, Means of Communication, and Services Available at the Premises

- 1. The premises to be used to hold the General Shareholders' Meeting shall have the personnel, technical equipment, and safety, assistance, and emergency measures commensurate with the nature and location of the property and with the importance of the event. In addition, the premises for holding the General Shareholders' Meeting shall have the emergency and evacuation measures required by law, as well other measures deemed appropriate in light of the circumstances.
- 2. The Company may make available other furnished premises with similar characteristics where the General Shareholders' Meeting can be held in the event of an emergency.
- 3. Appropriate safety controls and surveillance and protection measures, as well as systems for controlling access to the meeting, shall be established in order to ensure the safety of the attendees and the orderly conduct of the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 4. Once the General Shareholders' Meeting has commenced, the attendees are prohibited from using voice amplification instruments, mobile phones, photographic equipment, audio and/or video recording, and/or transmission equipment and, in general any instrument that might alter the visibility, sound, or lighting conditions of the proceedings, except to the extent authorised by the chair thereof.

- 5. The proceedings of the General Shareholders' Meeting may be the subject of audiovisual recording, if so determined by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting. They may also be the subject to storage and live or recorded broadcast by any means, including over the internet, and dissemination on social networks. Entering the premises where the General Shareholders' Meeting is to be held signifies the consent of the shareholders or their proxy representatives to the capture of their image (including voice) and the processing of their personal data. The owner of the data shall have the rights of access, rectification, objection, or erasure of the data collected by the Company, upon the terms provided by law, by sending a letter to the Company at its registered office, to the attention of the Office of the General Secretary (Secretaria General).
- 6. Whenever reasonably possible, the Company shall endeavour to ensure that the premises at which the General Shareholders' Meeting is held has the means to allow access by persons with reduced mobility and the simultaneous interpretation of the proceedings into Euskera (Basque), English, and those other languages that the Board of Directors deems appropriate. The Company shall also establish measures that facilitate participation in the General Shareholders' Meeting by attendees with auditory or visual limitations.
- 7. The Company shall also make available to the shareholders any additional information that facilitates following the General Shareholders' Meeting, such as programmes for the meeting or any other documentation deemed useful for such purpose.

Article 23. Computer System for the Recording of Proxies and Voting Instructions, Preparation of the List of Attendees, and Calculation of Voting Results

- 1. The Company shall have the personnel and technical equipment required to perform monitoring and counting of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards.
- 2. On the day of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the premises indicated for the meeting shall be supplied with the personnel and technical equipment required to monitor the entry of those attending the meeting and to determine the quorum, prepare the list of shareholders present in person and by proxy, and calculate the voting.
- 3. In order to undertake such activity, the Company may, in accordance with applicable rules and regulations, ask "Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U." (IBERCLEAR) to provide a list of the Company's shareholders and the number of shares appearing in the name of each shareholder.

Article 24. Office of the Shareholder

The Company shall set up an Office of the Shareholder in a visible place at the stated premises of the General Shareholders' Meeting, in order to:

- a) Answer questions regarding the proceedings raised by the attendees prior to the commencement of the meeting, without prejudice to the rights of the shareholders under legal and by-law provisions to take the floor, make proposals, and vote.
- b) Assist and inform attendees who wish to take the floor, preparing for such purpose a list of those who previously state their desire to participate, as well as collecting the text of their statements, if such statements are available in writing.
- c) Provide to the attendees who so request the full text of the resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors or shareholders for submission at the General Shareholders' Meeting regarding each item on the agenda of the call to meeting. Excepted from the foregoing are those proposals that have been prepared immediately prior to the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting and that for such reason cannot be delivered in written form to all attendees. Copies of the directors' reports and other documentation relating to the proposed resolutions shall also be made available to them."

C.- Amendment of Title V (Conduct of the General Shareholders' Meeting).

To amend the articles currently making up Title V of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"TITLE V. CONDUCT OF THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING

Article 25. Opening of the Premises and Monitoring Access Thereto

- 1. In the place and on the day provided in the announcement for the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting on first or second call, and beginning one hour prior to the time announced for the commencement of the meeting (unless otherwise specified in the announcement of the call to meeting), the shareholders or their proxy representatives must present their respective verification documents to the personnel in charge of the registration of attendees.
 - Once registration has closed, shareholders or proxy representatives arriving late at the place where the General Shareholders' Meeting is held may attend the meeting as invitees (in the room where the meeting is held or, if so decided by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, in an adjoining room from where they can follow the meeting).
- 2. In the event that a second call is made due to the failure to attend of the number of shareholders legally required to hold the General Shareholders' Meeting upon

first call, such circumstance shall be properly recorded in the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 26. Presiding Committee, Chair, and Secretary

- 1. The Presiding Committee (Mesa) of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be made up of the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and of the other members of the Board of Directors attending the meeting. Without prejudice to the powers assigned thereto in these Regulations, the Presiding Committee shall assist the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting in performing the duties entrusted thereto.
- 2. The chairman of the Board of Directors, or, in the absence thereof, the vice-chair of the Board of Directors, shall act as chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting; if there are several vice-chairs of the Board of Directors, they shall act in the order set forth in the By-Laws; and in the absence of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall serve.
- 3. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be assisted by the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, the deputy secretary of the Board of Directors, shall act as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting; if there are several deputy secretaries, they shall serve in the order established at the time of their appointment (first deputy secretary, second deputy secretary, etc.). In the absence of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall serve as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 4. The provisions of sections 2 and 3 above shall also apply if the chair or the secretary, in each case, must remove themselves for any reason during the holding of the meeting as regards their situation in the performance of their duties.
- 5. In addition, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may obtain the assistance of any person the chair deems appropriate.

Article 27. Duties of the Chairman of the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, who is responsible for progress of the meeting, shall generally have the powers needed for such purposes (including those of order and discipline), and the following powers, among others:
 - *a)* To call the meeting to order.
 - b) To verify that there is a valid quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting and, if applicable, to declare it to be validly in session.

- c) To take notice of the presence of a notary public, if any, to take the minutes of the meeting as a result of a request made by the Board of Directors for such purpose.
- d) To make decisions regarding questions, requests for clarification, or claims raised with respect to the list of attendees, the identity and the legitimacy of the shareholders and their proxy representatives, the authenticity and integrity of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards or relevant verification instruments, as well as all matters relating to the possible exclusion, suspension, or limitation of voting and related rights and, specifically, to the right to vote pursuant to law and the By-Laws.
- e) To grant the floor to executive directors or officers that the chair deems appropriate in order to address the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting in order to report on the progress of the Company, as well as to present the results, goals, and plans thereof. If the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting has the status of executive director, such presentation may be made directly thereby, in whole or in part.
- f) To order and direct the progress of the meeting in accordance with the powers set forth in article 36 below. To indicate the time for voting, establish voting systems and procedures, and determine the system for counting and calculating the votes.
- g) To temporarily suspend the General Shareholders' Meeting and propose the continuation thereof.
- *h)* To bring the meeting to a close.
- 2. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, even when present at the meeting, may entrust the management of the debate to a director the chair deems appropriate, or to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, who shall carry out these duties on behalf of the chair, with the chair having the right to retake them at any time.
- 3. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may appoint a representative of the Company to make an organised presentation to the General Shareholders' Meeting on those questions or considerations that the Company's shareholders even if they are not in attendance or represented by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting have submitted to the Company through other channels of participation and that the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting deems appropriate to present.

Such representative may also present other questions raised by those attending the General Shareholders' Meeting who prefer to ask their questions for delivery to the chair.

Article 28. Duties of the Secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting

The secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting shall assist the chair generally and shall perform the following duties in particular:

- *a)* To declare the Presiding Committee to be formed.
- b) To prepare by delegation of the chair the list of attendees, for which purpose the secretary shall have such means and systems as are determined by the chair.
- c) By delegation of the chair, to report to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting regarding the quorum, stating the number of shareholders present in person or by proxy, with an indication of the percentage of share capital they represent as well as the number of shares represented in person and by proxy, also with the foregoing specification.
- d) To report on those matters that the Board of Directors must report to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting pursuant to law or the Corporate Governance System.
- e) To draft the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting, if applicable.
- f) To exercise, at the direction of the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, such powers of order and discipline as are necessary for the appropriate conduct of the meeting and the adoption and formalisation of resolutions.

Article 29. Establishment of a Quorum

- 1. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be validly established with the minimum quorum required by law or the By-Laws, taking into account the matters appearing on the agenda of the call to meeting and whether the meeting is held upon first or second call.
- 2. Shareholders representing at least two-thirds of subscribed share capital with voting rights must be in attendance at the first call to the General Shareholders' Meeting, and shareholders representing at least sixty per cent of such share capital must be in attendance at the second call, in order to adopt resolutions regarding a change in the object of the Company, transformation, total split-off, dissolution of the Company, and the amendment of article 21.2 of the By-Laws.

- 3. The absence of shareholders occurring once a quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting has been established shall not affect the validity of the meeting.
- 4. If the attendance of shareholders representing a particular minimum percentage of share capital or the consent of specific interested shareholders is required pursuant to law or the Corporate Governance System in order to validly adopt a resolution regarding one or more items on the agenda of the call to meeting, and such percentage is not reached or such shareholders are not present in person or by proxy at the time of formation of the quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting, the shareholders thereat shall limit themselves to deliberating on those items on the agenda that do not require such percentage of share capital or the consent of such shareholders.

Article 30. List of Attendees

- 1. Prior to beginning with the agenda for the meeting, the secretary shall prepare a list of attendees, which shall specify those attending as shareholders and those attending as proxy-holders, as well as the number of their own or other shares with which each one is attending. At the end of the list, there shall be a determination of the number of shareholders present in person or by proxy, as well as the amount of capital they own, with a specification as to which capital corresponds to shareholders with the right to vote. The list of attendees shall include as present those shareholders who have cast absentee votes pursuant to the provisions of the Corporate Governance System.
- 2. The list of attendees shall be contained in electronic media, the sealed cover of which shall show the appropriate identification procedure signed by the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting with the approval of the chair.
- 3. If the meeting takes place in different places pursuant to the provisions of these Regulations, the list of attendees shall also include the share capital represented in person or by proxy in each room. In such case, absentee votes shall be included in the room where the Presiding Committee is located.
- 4. The list of attendees shall be attached to the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 31. Shareholder Presentation Requests Identification

Shareholders desiring to address the General Shareholders' Meeting must so request the Office of the Shareholder or to whomever is indicated for such purposes prior to the commencement of the meeting and, and state for the record their first and last names and, if applicable, the name of the corporate shareholder they represent, as well as the number of shares they own and/or represent.

Article 32. Reports

- 1. Once the list of attendees has been prepared and they have been informed regarding the publications of the announcement of the call to meeting, there shall be a presentation of any relevant reports by the executive directors or senior officers or persons designated for such purpose by the Board of Directors. In particular, the shareholders shall be informed of the main aspects highlighted in the Annual Corporate Governance Report regarding corporate governance, emphasising the changes that have occurred since the last General Shareholders' Meeting and any non-compliance with corporate governance recommendation that the Company has described in said report.
- 2. If the annual accounts have qualifications, the Board of Directors may resolve that the chair of the Audit and Compliance Committee and the Company's auditor explain them to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 33. Ratification, if Appropriate, of the Quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. Prior to the commencement of the presentation period, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, or the secretary by delegation therefrom, shall read the information contained in the list of attendees, detailing the number of shareholders present in person and by proxy, the number of shares represented in person and by proxy, with an indication of the percentage of share capital that both represent, and the total number of shareholders and shares in attendance at the meeting, with an indication of the share capital that such shares represent.
- 2. Once this information has been publicly announced, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall, if appropriate, declare the existence of a proper and sufficient quorum on first or second call, as the case may be, and shall decide if the shareholders can debate and adopt resolutions regarding all matters contained in the agenda or if, on the contrary, debate must be limited to only some of them.
- 3. If appropriate, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall announce the presence of a notary public at the meeting and shall identify such notary public, taking notice of the request to prepare the minutes of the meeting.
- 4. If a notary public has been requested to prepare the minutes of the meeting, the notary public shall ask the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting and make clear in the minutes whether there are reservations or objections regarding the statements of the chair of or the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting in connection with the number of shareholders in attendance and the share capital represented in person and by proxy.

Article 34. Shareholder Presentation Period

- 1. Presentations by the shareholders or their proxy representatives shall occur in the order in which they are called by the secretary. No shareholder or proxy-holder may make a presentation without having been granted the floor or to decide matters that are not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, unless otherwise provided by law.
- 2. Shareholders or their proxy representatives must make reasonable use of their presentation right with respect to both the duration thereof, which shall be a maximum of five minutes, without prejudice to the chair's powers to limit or extend them, as well as the content thereof, which must conform to the provisions of the preceding section and to the respect deserved by the proceedings and the other attendees. If the number of presentations requested or other circumstances so advise, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may set a maximum period less than that mentioned above, giving due regard in each case to the principles of equal treatment and non-discrimination among the presenting shareholders.
- 3. At the time of their accreditation, those shareholders or their proxy representatives who so desire may deliver the text of their presentation to the Office of the Shareholder in order to obtain a photocopy and thus facilitate the meeting proceedings and the preparation of the minutes. This shall be required if thee is a request for their presentation to be recorded verbatim in the minutes. In this case, the Office of the Shareholder shall deliver the text to the secretary or to the notary public, if any, in order for it to be compared with the shareholder's presentation.
- 4. In addition, during the shareholder presentation period, the representative of the Company appointed by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may make an organised presentation on those questions or considerations that the shareholders have submitted to the Company through other channels of participation and such other questions as are raised by attendees at the General Shareholders' Meeting who prefer to ask their questions for delivery to the chair.

Article 35. Right to Receive Information during the General Shareholders' Meeting

1. During the presentation period, shareholders or their proxy representatives may verbally request information or clarifications that they deem are necessary regarding the matters contained in the agenda of the call to meeting, information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Market Commission since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting, and regarding the audit report. They must have previously identified themselves for this purpose in accordance with the provisions of article 31 above.

- 2. The Company provide the information requested pursuant to the preceding section in the form and within the periods provided by law, except as provided by section 4 of article 15 above and without prejudice to the provisions of section 5 thereof.
- 3. The information or clarifications requested shall be provided by the chair or by any other person designated thereby.
- 4. If it is not possible to respond to the request for information, clarification or request during the proceedings, the response shall be sent in writing within the next seven days.
- 5. A violation of the right to receive information provided for in this article shall only entitle the shareholder to demand compliance with the obligation to provide information and the damages caused thereto, but shall not be grounds for challenging the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 36. Order of Shareholder Presentations, Requests, and Proposals

- 1. The powers to make presentations and requests for information shall only be exercised once. During the presentation period, the presenting party may make proposals regarding any item on the agenda of the call to meeting, except in those cases in which they should have been available to the shareholders at the registered office at the time of publication of the call to meeting or the supplement to the call to meeting, if any, they are excluded by law, or they breach the rights of other shareholders. They may also propose the adoption of resolutions regarding which, pursuant to law, the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting may deliberate and decide upon without such resolutions appearing on the agenda of the call to meeting.
- 2. In the exercise of the chair's powers to order the meeting, and without prejudice to other action that may be taken, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may:
 - a) Extend the time initially allocated to each presenting party, when the chair deems it appropriate.
 - b) Decide the order in which answers will be provided and whether such answers will be given following each presentation or collectively and, if appropriate, in summarised form after the last presentation.
 - c) End the shareholder presentation period.
 - d) Request the presenting parties to clarify issues that have not been understood or that have not been sufficiently explained during the presentation.

- e) Call the presenting parties to order so that they limit their presentation to business properly before the General Shareholders' Meeting and refrain from making improper statements or exercising their right of presentation in an abusive or obstructionist manner.
- f) Announce to the presenting parties that the time for their presentations will soon be ending so that they may adjust their use of the floor and, when the time granted for their presentation has ended, or if they persist in the conduct described in the preceding sub-section, withdraw the floor therefrom.
- g) Deny the floor when the chair believes that a particular matter has been sufficiently debated, is not included in the agenda, or hinders the progress of the meeting, as well as reject a reply of the presenting shareholder.
- 3. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall endeavour to maintain order in the room in order to allow the presenting parties to make their presentations without undue interruption. If the chair believes that the presentation or the conduct of an attendee might alter the proper order and normal conduct of the meeting, the chair may ask them to leave the premises and adopt any appropriate measures in order for this provision to be complied with.
- 4. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall have the broadest powers to allow, apply the legally appropriate procedures to, or reject the proposals made by the presenting parties during their presentation on any matter included in the agenda of the call to meeting or on those matters that may be debated and decided at the General Shareholders' Meeting without such matters appearing on the agenda for the meeting, in light of compliance in each case with the requirements of applicable laws and regulations. In voting on the proposals allowed pursuant to this section, the procedure established in letter b) of article 40.2 of these Regulations shall apply, without prejudice to the chair's ability to decide on the use of other procedures or alternative voting systems.

Article 37. Temporary Suspension

- 1. In exceptional cases, when there are incidents that temporarily prevent the normal progress of the meeting, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may resolve to suspend the session for the time the chair deems appropriate in order to re-establish the conditions needed for the continuation thereof. The chair may adopt such additional measures as the chair deems appropriate to ensure the safety of the attendees and to avoid the repetition of circumstances that might again affect the proper conduct of the meeting.
- 2. Once the meeting has resumed, if the situation that gave rise to the suspension persists, the chair shall consult with the Presiding Committee in order for the

shareholders to approve a continuation of the meeting on the next day. In the event the continuation is not approved, the chair shall immediately adjourn the meeting.

Article 38. Continuation

- 1. Upon good reason for doing so, the shareholders acting at the General Shareholders' Meeting may approve a continuation of the meeting over one or more consecutive days, at the proposal of the chair, of the majority of the directors attending the meeting, or of a number of shareholders representing at least twenty-five per cent of the share capital present. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be deemed to be a single meeting, and a single set of minutes shall be prepared for all of the sessions.
- 2. Once the continuation of the General Shareholders' Meeting has been approved, there shall be no need to repeat compliance with the provisions of law or the Corporate Governance System in subsequent sessions for them to be validly held. The quorum needed to adopt resolutions shall be determined based on the results of the initial list of attendees, even if one or more of the shareholders included therein do not attend subsequent meetings, without prejudice to the provisions of article 41.3."

<u>D.- Amendment of Titles VI (Voting and Adoption of Resolutions), VII</u> (Closure and Minutes of the Meeting) and VIII (Subsequent Acts).

To amend the articles currently making up Titles VI, VII, and VIII of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall hereafter read as follows:

"TITLE VI. VOTING AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Article 39. Absentee Voting; Powers to Engage in Proxy-Granting and Absentee Voting

- 1. Shareholders may cast their vote regarding proposals relating to the items included in the agenda of the call to meeting by means of postal or electronic correspondence or any other means of long-distance communication, provided that the identity of the person and the security of the electronic communications are assured. In all such cases, they shall be deemed to be present for purposes of the establishment of a quorum at the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 2. In order to vote by postal correspondence, shareholders must send to the Company the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card issued in their favour by the corresponding entity, setting forth thereon the direction of their vote, their abstention, or their blank vote, and the direction of the vote in these cases.

- 3. Votes by electronic correspondence shall be cast using a recognised electronic signature or using the personal passwords referred to in letter c of article 19.2 above or other type of guarantee that the Board of Directors deems best ensures the authenticity and identification of the voting shareholder.
- 4. Votes cast by any of the means set forth in the preceding sections must be received by the Company before 24:00 on the day immediately prior to the day set for the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting upon first call or upon second call, as applicable.
- 5. The absentee voting referred to in this article shall be rendered void:
 - a) By subsequent express revocation made by the same means used to cast the vote and within the period established for such voting.
 - b) By attendance at the meeting of the shareholder casting the vote.
 - c) If the shareholder validly grants a proxy within the established period after the date of casting the absentee vote.
- 6. If no express instructions are included when casting the absentee vote, or instructions are included only with respect to some of the items on the agenda of the call to meeting, and unless expressly indicated otherwise by the shareholder, it shall be deemed that the absentee vote refers to all of the items included in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting and that the vote is in favour of the proposals made by the Board of Directors regarding the items included in the agenda of the call to meeting with respect to which no express instructions are included.
- 7. As regards proposed resolutions other than those submitted by the Board of Directors or regarding items not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, the shareholder casting an absentee vote may grant proxy representation through any of the means contemplated in these Regulations, in which case the rules established for such purpose shall apply to the proxy, which shall be deemed granted to the chairman of the Board of Directors unless expressly indicated otherwise by the shareholder.
- 8. The Board of Directors is authorised to develop the appropriate rules, means, and procedures to organise the casting of votes and the grant of proxies by electronic means.
 - Specifically, the Board of Directors may: establish rules for the use of personal passwords and other guarantees other than electronic signatures for casting electronic votes or by other valid means of distance communication and to grant proxies by electronic correspondence. It may also the advance period of twenty-

four hours established for receipt by the Company of absentee votes and proxies granted by postal or electronic correspondence, and accept and authorise the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the persons acting by delegation therefrom to accept absentee votes and proxies received after such period, to the extent permitted by the means available.

The Board of Directors is also authorised to further develop the procedures for granting proxies and for absentee voting in general, including the rules of priority and conflict applicable thereto. The Shareholder's Guide and other implementing rules adopted by the Board of Directors under the provisions of this section shall be published on the Company's corporate website.

The chairman and the secretary of the Board of Directors or the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation therefrom, shall have the broadest powers to verify the identity of the shareholders and their representatives; check the legitimacy of the exercise of the rights of attendance, proxy-granting, and voting by the shareholders and their representatives; check and accept the validity and effectiveness of the proxies and absentee votes (particularly the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or verification document or instrument for attendance or proxy-granting), as well as the validity and effectiveness of the instructions received through brokers, representatives, or depositaries of shares, all in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Company's Corporate Governance System and in the rules that the Board of Directors may establish in order to further develop such provisions.

Article 40. Voting on Proposed Resolutions

1. Once the shareholder presentations have ended and responses have been given to requests for information pursuant to the provisions of these Regulations, the proposed resolutions regarding matters included in the agenda of the call to meeting and any others that pursuant to law may be submitted to a vote even though not appearing thereon, including any proposals made by the shareholders during the meeting that are appropriate under the law and the Corporate Governance System, shall be submitted to a vote.

The Board of Directors shall make separate proposals for resolutions in connection with matters that are substantially independent of one another. In any event, the following must be voted on separately, even if appearing within the same item on the agenda: (i) the appointment, ratification, re-election or removal of each director, (ii) in the amendment of the By-Laws, that of each article or autonomous group of articles, and (iii) those matters for which this is provided in the Corporate Governance System.

The adoption of resolutions shall proceed following the agenda set forth in the call to meeting. Resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors shall be first submitted to a vote and then, if appropriate, resolutions proposed by other proponents and those relating to matters that the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting can decide upon without appearing on the agenda shall be voted, with the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting deciding upon the order in which they shall be submitted to a vote. Unless the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting decides to proceed otherwise, once a proposed resolution has been adopted, all others relating to the same matter and that are incompatible therewith shall be withdrawn and therefore not be voted upon.

- 2. As a general rule, and without prejudice to the powers of the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting to use other procedures and alternative systems, for purposes of voting on the proposed resolutions, the direction of the votes of the shareholders shall be determined as follows:
 - a) In the case of proposed resolutions relating to matters included in the agenda of the call to meeting, votes corresponding to all shares present in person and by proxy, less the votes corresponding to: shares whose holders or representatives state that they vote against, in blank, or abstain, stating so for the record to the notary public or the assistants thereto (or, in the absence thereof, to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting) for note thereof to be taken in the minutes of the meeting, shares whose holders have voted against, in blank, or have expressly stated that they abstain through the means of communication referred to in these Regulations; and shares whose holders or representatives have left the meeting prior to the voting on the proposed resolution in question and have recorded their withdrawal with the notary public or assistants thereto (or, in the absence thereof, with the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting), shall be deemed votes in favour.
 - b) In the case of proposed resolutions relating to matters not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, votes corresponding to all shares present in person and by proxy, less the votes corresponding to: shares whose holders or representatives state that they vote in favour, in blank, or abstain, by communicating or expressing their vote or abstention to the notary public (or, in the absence thereof, the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting) or the assistants thereto, for note thereof to be taken in the minutes; shares whose holders have voted in favour, in blank, or have expressly stated that they abstain through the means of communication referred to in these Regulations; and shares whose holders or representatives have left the meeting prior to the voting on the proposed resolution in question and have had the notary public or assistants thereto (or, in the absence thereof, the secretary for the General Shareholders'

Meeting) record their withdrawal from the meeting, shall be deemed to be votes against.

- 3. If a proxy-holder represents several shareholders, the proxy-holder may cast votes in different directions based on the instructions given by each shareholder.
- 4. Furthermore, so long as the required guarantees of transparency and certainty are provided in the opinion of the Board of Directors, a vote may be divided in order for financial intermediaries who are recorded as having shareholder status but act for the account of different clients to be able to divide their votes and cast them in different directions in accordance with the instructions given by such clients.

Article 41. Approval of Resolutions and Announcement of Voting Results

- 1. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall adopt resolutions with the majorities required by law or the By-Laws. Each voting share, whether represented in person or by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting, shall grant the holder the right to one vote, without prejudice to the limitations on the maximum number of votes that may be cast by a shareholder, the conflicts of interest provided for in article 28 of the By-Laws, other instances in which the By-Laws provide for the suspension of voting rights, or the restrictions established by law.
- 2. Except in cases in which the law or the By-Laws require a greater majority, the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall adopt resolutions by simple majority of the shareholders present in person or by proxy, with a resolution being deemed adopted when it receives more votes in favour than against.
 - For purposes of determining the number of shares upon which the majority needed to adopt the various resolutions shall be calculated, all shares appearing on the list of attendees shall be deemed to be in attendance, present, or represented at the meeting, less: shares whose owners or representatives have left the meeting prior to the voting on the proposed resolution in question and have recorded their withdrawal with the notary public or assistants thereto (or, in the absence thereof, with the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting); and shares which, by application of the provisions of law or the By-Laws, are totally or partially deprived of the right to vote in general, or on the particular resolution in question, or shares in respect of which the exercise of the right to vote has been suspended for the holders thereof.
- 3. Once the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, at the time of voting, finds the existence of a sufficient number of votes in favour or against all or some of the proposed resolutions, the chair may declare them to be approved or rejected by

the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, without prejudice to the statements that the shareholders or their proxy representatives may desire to make to the notary public or to the assistants thereto or, if applicable, to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, regarding the direction of their vote for recording in the minutes of the meeting.

4. Without prejudice to the provisions of the preceding section, for each resolution submitted to a vote at the General Shareholders' Meeting, there must be a determination of at least the number of shares for which valid votes have been cast, the proportion of share capital represented by such votes, the total number of valid votes cast, the number of votes in favour and against each resolution, and the number of abstentions and votes in blank, if any.

TITLE VII. CLOSURE AND MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Article 42. Closure

Once the voting on the proposed resolutions has been completed and the results have been announced by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the General Shareholders' Meeting shall end and the chair thereof shall bring the meeting to a close, adjourning the session.

Article 43. Minutes

- 1. The minutes of the meeting may be approved by the shareholders at the end of the General Shareholders' Meeting, and otherwise within a period of fifteen days by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting and two inspectors, one on behalf of the majority and the other on behalf of the minority.
- 2. Once the minutes are approved, they shall be signed by the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, with the approval of the chair. In the event the aforementioned persons are unable to do so for any reason, they shall be replaced by the persons established by law or the By-Laws.
- 3. In the event that a notary public takes part in the General Shareholders' Meeting, the notarial minutes shall be deemed the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting and shall not require approval.

TITLE VIII. SUBSEQUENT ACTS

Article 44. Publication of Resolutions

1. Without prejudice to registration at the Commercial Registry of recordable resolutions or to applicable legal provisions regarding the publication of corporate resolutions, the Company shall communicate to the National Securities Market Commission, by means of a notice of significant event (hecho relevante),

- the literal text or a summary of the contents of the resolutions approved at the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 2. The text of the resolutions adopted and the voting results shall be published in full on the Company's corporate website within five days of the end of the General Shareholders' Meeting
- 3. Furthermore, at the request of any shareholder or their representative at the General Shareholders' Meeting, the secretary of the Board of Directors shall issue a certification of the resolutions or of the minutes."

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Bilbao, 17 February 2015



ANNEX TO THE REPORT REGARDING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF THE COMPANY'S REGULATIONS FOR THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING INCLUDED IN ITEM NINE

REGULATIONS FOR THE **REGULATIONS FOR THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING MEETING** PRELIMINARY TITLE PRELIMINARY TITLE Article 1. Purpose Article 1. Purpose The Regulations for the General 1. The Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting of Iberdrola, S.A. Shareholders' Meeting (the "Company") are intended to develop "Regulations") contain the principles for the basic rules for the call, preparation, conducting the General Shareholders' and holding of the Company's General Meeting of Iberdrola, S.A. (the Shareholders' Meeting in accordance with "Company") are intended develop IBERDROLA, applicable legal provisions, the By-Laws, S.A. (the "Company"), as well as the basic rules the good governance for the call, preparation, and holding of recommendations generally recognised in international markets, in order to ensure the Company's thereof. the equal treatment of all shareholders in the same situation with respect information, presentations, and exercise of voting rights at the General Shareholders' Meeting and to facilitate the effective participation by the shareholders thereat, in order to contribute to the transparent and informed articulation of decisions, corporate with particular attention to the exercise of the rights to which they are entitled for such purpose, which in any case must be exercised in good faith and transparently within the framework of the corporate interest of the Company. These Regulations form part of the The Regulations seek to achieve Corporate Governance System, which is greater transparency, efficiency, and made up of the By-Laws, the Corporate impetus to the functions of deliberation Policies, the internal corporate governance and decision-making by the shareholders rules, and the other internal codes and at the General Shareholders' Meeting in procedures approved by the appropriate accordance with applicable legal



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Article 3. Dissemination

These Regulations and any amendments hereto shall be communicated to the National Securities Market Commission (Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores) and registered Commercial Registry (Registro Mercantil) pursuant to applicable rules regulations. The current text of these Regulations shall be made available on the Company's corporate website.

Article 4. Interpretation

1. These Regulations shall be construed in accordance with the law, the Company's Corporate Governance System, and good governance recommendations generally recognised in international markets, all within the framework of the corporate interest.

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Article 4. Priority and Interpretation

These Regulations shall construed further develop and complement legal and by-law provisions applicable to the General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall prevail in the event of contradiction therewith, and shall be <u>interpreted</u> in accordance with the law, the Company's Corporate Governance and good governance recommendations generally recognised in international markets, all within the framework of the corporate interest, of which they form a part.

- 2. Any questions that may arise in connection with the interpretation hereof shall be resolved by the Board of Directors, which shall propose such amendments, if any, as it deems appropriate. Any questions arising in connection with the application and interpretation hereof during the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be settled by the Presiding Committee (Mesa) thereof.
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Article 5. Amendment

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- 1. The Board of Directors, and shareholders who individually or collectively hold interests equal to or greater than five (5%)represent at least three per cent of the share capital of the Company, shall have the right to propose amendments to the *Regulations*.
- 2. The full text of the proposed amendment and a report providing the rationale therefor prepared by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders making the proposal shall be made available to the shareholders at the time of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting at which the decision is to be made regarding the aforementioned proposal.

Article 6. Shareholder's Guide, Rules of Implementation, and Management Framework for the General Shareholders' Meeting

1. In order to promote and facilitate the informed participation of the shareholders, upon the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting the Board of Directors shall make available thereto a Shareholder's Guide that clearly explains the most significant aspects regarding the operation thereof and the procedures

	established for the exercise of their rights at the General Shareholders' Meeting.
	2. The Board of Directors may approve rules of implementation that systematise, adapt, and specify the provisions of the Corporate Governance System regarding the General Shareholders' Meeting and the rights of the shareholders related thereto, within the framework of the corporate interest.
	3. The Board of Directors shall also entrust to the secretary thereof the preparation and ongoing update of a management framework to coordinate and facilitate the monitoring of all activities necessary for the planning, preparation, call, holding and formalisation of the resolutions at each General Shareholders' Meeting.
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	appropriate upon the terms provided by law and the Corporate Governance System. 2. Decisions of the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting bind all shareholders, including shareholders who are absent, vote against, abstain from voting, vote in blank, or lack the right to vote, without prejudice to the rights they
	may have to challenge such resolutions. Article 8. Types
2. A General Shareholders' Meeting may be annual or extraordinary.	1. 2.—A General Shareholders' Meeting may be annual or extraordinary.
3. The shareholders acting at an annual General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall be previously called for such purpose, must meet within the first six (6) months of each financial year in order to review corporate management, approve the accounts for the prior financial year, and decide upon the allocation of profits or losses from such financial year. Resolutions may also be adopted at the annual General Shareholders' Meeting regarding any other matter within the power of the shareholders, provided that such matters appear on the agenda of the call to meeting or are legally appropriate and that shareholders with the required share capital are in attendance at the General Shareholders' Meeting.	2. 3.—The shareholders acting at an annual General Shareholders' Meeting, which shall be previously called for such purpose, must meet within the first six (6) months of each financial year in order to reviewapprove the corporate management, approve the annual accounts for the prior financial year, and decide upon the allocation of profits or losses from such financial year. Resolutions may also be adopted at the annual General Shareholders' Meeting regarding any other matter within the power of the shareholders, provided that such matters appear on the agenda of the call to meeting or are legally appropriate and that—shareholders with the required share capital are in attendance atquorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting has been formed for such purpose.
4. Any General Shareholders' Meeting not provided for in the preceding section shall be deemed to be an Extraordinary General Shareholders' Meeting.	3. 4.—Any General Shareholders' Meeting not provided for in the preceding section shall be deemed to be an Extraordinary General Shareholders' Meeting.
Article 7. Powers	Article 7.9. Powers
1. The shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall decide the	1. The shareholders <u>acting</u> at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall

matters assigned thereto by law, the By- Laws, and these Regulations, and particularly regarding the following:	decide the matters assigned thereto by law, the <i>By-Laws</i> , and or these <i>Regulations</i> , and particularly in any case regarding the following:
a) The approval of the annual accounts, the allocation of profits or losses, and the approval of corporate management.	a) The approval of the annual accounts, the allocation of profits or losses, and the approval of corporate management.
	A) With respect to the Board of Directors and the directors:
b) The appointment, re-election, and removal of directors, as well as the ratification of directors designated by interim appointment to fill vacancies.	a) b)—The appointment, re- election, and removal of directors, as well as the ratification of directors designated by interim appointment to fill vacancies.
c) The appointment, re-election, and removal of the auditors.	e) The appointment, re-election, and removal of the auditors.
	b) The approval of the establishment and application of systems for remuneration of the Company's directors consisting of the delivery of shares or of rights therein or remuneration based on the value of the shares.
	c) Relieving the directors from the prohibitions arising from the duty of loyalty, when authorisation is attributed by law to the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting, as well as from the obligation not to compete with the Company.
	d) The exercise of derivative liability actions against directors.
	B) With respect to the annual accounts and corporate management:
	a) The approval of the individual annual accounts of the Company and of the annual accounts of the Company consolidated with those of its

	subsidiaries.
	b) The allocation of profits/losses.
	c) The approval of corporate management.
	C) With respect to amendments to the Corporate Governance System:
d) The amendment of the By-Laws.	$\frac{a)}{Laws}$. The amendment of the <i>By</i> -
	b) The approval and amendment of these <i>Regulations</i> .
	c) The approval of the director remuneration policy upon the terms provided by law.
	D) With respect to an increase or reduction in share capital, acquisition of own shares and issue of debentures:
	a) An increase or reduction in share capital.
e) An increase or reduction in share capital, as well as the delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to increase share capital, in which case it may also grant thereto the power to exclude or limit pre-emptive rights, upon the terms established by law.	b) e) An increase or reduction in share capital, as well as the The delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to increase share capital, in which case it may also grant thereto the power to exclude or limit pre-emptive rights, upon the terms established by law.
	c) The delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to carry out a capital increase already approved by the shareholders at a General Shareholders' Meeting, within the periods set forth by law, indicating the date or dates of execution and establishing the conditions for the increase as to all matters not provided for by the shareholders. In this case, the Board of Directors may make use of such delegation, in whole or in part, or may refrain from using it, in view of market conditions or the condition of the Company itself, or of particularly

	relevant facts or circumstances that justify such decision, and shall report thereon to the shareholders at the first General Shareholders' Meeting held after the end of the period granted for the use of such delegation.
f) The exclusion or limitation of pre- emptive rights.	d) f) The exclusion or limitation of pre-emptive rights.
g) The transformation, merger, split- off, or overall assignment of assets and liabilities, and the transfer of the registered office abroad.	g) The transformation, merger, split- off, or overall assignment of assets and liabilities, and the transfer of the registered office abroad.
h) The dissolution of the Company.	h) The dissolution of the Company.
i) The approval of the final liquidating balance sheet.	i) The approval of the final liquidating balance sheet.
j) The approval of the establishment of systems for remuneration of the Company's directors and senior officers, consisting of the delivery of shares or of rights therein or remuneration that takes as its reference the value of the shares.	e) j) The approval of the establishment of systems for remuneration of the Company's directors and senior officers, consisting of the delivery of shares or of rights therein or remuneration that takes as its reference the value of the shares. The authorisation for the derivative acquisition of the Company's own shares.
k) The issuance of debentures and other negotiable securities and the delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to issue them.	f) k) The issuance of debentures and other negotiable securities and the delegation to the Board of Directors of the power to issue them as well as the power to exclude or limit pre-emptive rights, upon the terms established by law.
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m) The approval and amendment of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting.	m) The approval and amendment of the Regulations for the General Shareholders' Meeting.
	E) With respect to structural changes of the Company and functionally similar

	operations:
	a) The transformation of the Company
	b) The merger or split-off of the Company upon the terms provided by law.
	c) The overall assignment of assets and liabilities.
	d) The transfer of the registered office abroad.
n) The transformation of the Company into a holding company, through "subsidiarisation" or the assignment to dependent entities of core activities theretofore carried out by the Company, even though the Company retains full control of such entities.	e)n) The transformation of the Company into a holding company, through "subsidiarisation" or the assignment to dependent The transfer to controlled entities of core activities theretofore that were previously carried out by the Company itself, even though the Company it retains full control ownership of such entities.
o) The approval of the acquisition or disposition of essential operating assets when they involve an effective change in the object of the Company.	f) o) The approval of the acquisition, transfer, or disposition of essential operating assets when they involve an effective change in the object of the Company.contribution of key assets from or to another company.
	F) With respect to auditors:
	a) The appointment, re-election, and removal of the auditors.
	b) The exercise of derivative liability actions against the auditors.
	G) With respect to the dissolution and liquidation of the Company.
	a) The dissolution of the Company.
	b) The appointment and removal of the liquidators.
	c) The approval of the final

	liquidating balance sheet.
	d) The exercise of derivative liability actions against the liquidators.
p) The approval of transactions having an effect equivalent to liquidation of the Company.	e) p) The approval of transactions having an effect equivalent to liquidation of the Company.
2. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall also decide any other matter submitted to them by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders in the instances provided by law or that is within their power pursuant to law or the Company's Corporate Governance System.	2. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall also decide any other matter submitted to them by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders in the instances provided by law or that is within their power pursuant to law or the Company's Corporate Governance System.
3. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting may also decide, by way of a consultative vote, on the annual director remuneration report, or on any other reports or proposals submitted by the Board of Directors.	3. The shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting mayshall also decide, by way of a consultative vote, on the annual director remuneration report, or and may also make a pronouncement on any other reports or proposals submitted by the Board of Directors.
TITLE II. CALL TO THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING	TITLE II. CALL TO THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING
Article 8. Requirements of the Call to Meeting	Article 8. Requirements of the 10. Call to the General Shareholders' Meeting
1. Pursuant to the provisions of the By-Laws, the General Shareholders' Meeting must be formally called by the Board of Directors through an announcement published as much in advance as required by law.	1. Pursuant to the provisions of the By Laws, the The General Shareholders' Meeting must shall be formally called by the Board of Directors through an announcement published as much in advance as required by law.
The announcement of the call to meeting shall be disseminated through the following media, at a minimum:	The announcement of the call to meeting shall be disseminated through the following media, at a minimum:
a) The Official Bulletin of the Commercial Registry (Boletín Oficial del	a) The Official Bulletin of the Commercial Registry (Boletín Oficial del Registro Mercantil) or one of the more

widely circulated newspapers in Spain.	widely circulated newspapers in Spain.
b) The website of the National Securities Market Commission.	b) The website of the National Securities Market Commission.
c) The Company's corporate website.	e) The Company's corporate website.
2. The Board of Directors must call a General Shareholders' Meeting in the following events:	2. The Board of Directors must call athe General Shareholders ' Meeting in the following events:
a) In the event set forth in article 6.3 above.	a) In the event set forth in article 6.38.2 above.
b) If the meeting is requested, in the manner provided by law, by shareholders holding or representing at least five (5%) per cent of the share capital, which request sets forth the matters to be addressed. In this event, the Board of Directors shall call for the General Shareholders' Meeting to be held within the statutorily prescribed deadline. The Board of Directors shall prepare the agenda of the call, which must include the matters specified in the request.	b) If the meeting is requested, in the manner provided by law, by shareholders holding or representing who individually or collectively represent at least five (5%) three per cent of the share capital, which request sets forth the matters to be addressed. In this event, the Board of Directors shall call for the General Shareholders' Meeting to be held within the statutorily prescribed deadline. The Board of Directors shall prepare the agenda of the call, which must include the matters specified in the request.
c) When a takeover bid is made for the securities of the Company, in order to report to the shareholders regarding such takeover bid and to deliberate and decide upon the matters submitted for their consideration. Any shareholder or shareholders holding voting shares representing at least one (1%) per cent of share capital shall have the right to request the inclusion of matters in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting that must be called for this purpose.	c) When a takeover bid is made for the securities of the Company, in order to report to the shareholders regarding such takeover bidat the General Shareholders' Meeting and to deliberate and decide upon the matters submitted for their consideration. Any shareholder or shareholders holding voting shares representing at least one (1%) per cent of share capital shall have the right to request the inclusion of matters in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting that must be called for this purpose.
	3) The Board of Directors may request the presence of a notary public to assist with and draw up the minutes of

	the General Shareholders' Meeting. In any event, the Board must request the presence of a notary public under the circumstances provided by law.
	Article 11. Announcement of Call to Meeting and Agenda
	1) The announcement of the call to meeting shall be published as much in advance as required by law, using at least the following media:
	a) The Official Gazette of the Commercial Registry (Boletín Oficial del Registro Mercantil) or one of the more widely circulated newspapers in Spain.
	b) The website of the National Securities Market Commission.
	c) The Company's corporate website.
3. The announcement of the call to meeting must contain all statements required by law in each case and must set forth:	2) 3. The announcement of the call to meeting must contain all statements required by law in each case and must set forth:
a) The day, place, and time of the meeting upon first call and all matters to be dealt with.	a) The day, place, and time of the meeting upon first call and the agenda, with a statement of all matters to be dealt with.
b) A clear and specific description of the procedures and periods that the shareholders must observe in order to request the publication of a supplement to the call to the Annual General Shareholders' Meeting, submit well-founded proposals for resolutions, or exercise their rights to receive information, to cast an absentee vote, and to grant a proxy, upon the terms provided by law.	description of the procedures and periods that the shareholders must observe in order to request the publication of a supplement to the call to the Annual General Shareholders' Meeting, submit well-founded proposals for resolutions, or exercise their rights to receive information, to cast an absentee vote, and to grant a proxy, upon the terms provided by law.
c) The date on which the holders of the Company's shares must have them	/

registered in their name in the corresponding book-entry register to be able to attend and vote at the General Shareholders' Meeting being called.	have them registered in their name in the corresponding book-entry register to be able to attend and vote at the General Shareholders' Meeting being called.
d) Where and how the complete text of the documents to be submitted at the General Shareholders' Meeting can be obtained, particularly including the reports of the directors, auditors, and independent experts to be submitted and the complete text of the proposed resolutions that are expected to be adopted.	d) Where A statement of where and how the complete text of the documents to be submitted at the General Shareholders' Meeting can be obtained, particularly including the reports of the directors, of the auditors, and of the independent experts to be submitted and the complete text of the proposed resolutions that are expected to be adopted. submitted to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting for adoption.
e) The address of the Company's corporate website.	e) The address of the Company's corporate website.
	f) The attendance bonus that the Board of Directors may resolve to pay to shareholders appearing at the General Shareholders' Meeting in accordance with the policy approved for such purpose.
The announcement may also set forth the date on which the General Shareholders' Meeting shall proceed upon second call, if applicable.	The announcement may also set forth the date on which the General Shareholders' Meeting shall proceed upon second call, if applicable.
	3) The shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting may not deliberate on or decide matters that are not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, unless otherwise provided by law.
	Article 12. Supplement to the Call to Meeting and Submission of Well-founded Proposed Resolutions
4. Shareholders representing at least five (5%) per cent of the share capital may:	1) Shareholders representing who individually or collectively represent at least five (5%) three per cent of the share

a) Request the publication of a supplement to the call to the Annual General Shareholders' Meeting including one or more items in the agenda of the call to meeting, so long as the new items are accompanied by a rationale or, if applicable, by a duly substantiated

proposal for a resolution.

b) Submit well-founded proposed resolutions regarding matters already included or that should be included in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting. The Company shall ensure the dissemination to the other shareholders of such proposed resolutions and any documentation attached thereto in accordance with the provisions of law.

The written notice of the exercise of such rights shall specify the name or corporate name of the requesting shareholder or shareholders, and there shall be attached thereto such documentation as evidences the status thereof as shareholder, in order for such information to be checked against that provided by the Sociedad de Gestión los Sistemas Registro. de Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U. (Iberclear), as well as the contents of the item or items proposed. Under the circumstances set forth in letter a), the Board of Directors may require that the shareholder also attach the proposed resolution or resolutions and, if legally required, in the instances set forth in letters a) and b), the report or reports providing a rationale for the proposals.

5. The shareholders' rights mentioned in sub-sections 2.b), 2.c), and 4 above must be exercised by duly authenticated

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- a) Request the publication of a supplement to the call to the Annual General Shareholders' Meeting including one or more items in the agenda of the call to meeting, so long as the new items are accompanied by a rationale or, if applicable, by a duly substantiated proposal for a resolution.
- b) Submit well-founded proposed resolutions regarding matters already included or that should be included in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting. The Company shall ensure the dissemination to the other shareholders of such proposed resolutions and any documentation attached thereto in accordance with the provisions of law.

The written notice of the exercise of such rights shall specify the name or the corporate name of the requesting shareholder or shareholders, and there shall he attached thereto such documentation as evidences the status thereof as shareholder, in order for such information to be checked against that provided by the Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación Liquidación de Valores, (Iberclear), as well as the contents of the item or items proposed. Under the circumstances set forth in letter a), the Board of Directors may require that the shareholder also attach the proposed resolution or resolutions and, if legally required, in the instances set forth in letters a) and b), the report or reports providing a rationale for the proposals.

2) 5. The shareholders' rights mentioned in sub-sections 2.b), 2.c), and 4 above must be exercised by duly

notice sent to the Company's registered office and which, in the latter two cases, must be received within five (5) days of the publication of the call to meeting. The supplement to the call to meeting mentioned in such sub-sections must be published within the statutorily prescribed deadline.

authenticated notice sent to the Company's registered office and which, in the latter two cases, must be received within five (5) days of the publication of the call to meeting. The supplement to the call to meeting mentioned in such sub-sections must be published within the statutorily prescribed deadline. The shareholders' rights mentioned in the preceding section must be exercised by duly authenticated notice sent to the Company's registered office within the periods provided by law.

- 6. The shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting may not deliberate on or decide matters that are not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, unless otherwise provided by law.
- 6. The shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting may not deliberate on or decide matters that are not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, unless otherwise provided by law.
- 7. The Board of Directors may require that a notary public attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and prepare the minutes thereof. In any event, the Board must request the presence of a notary public under the circumstances provided by law.
- 7. The Board of Directors may require that a notary public attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and prepare the minutes thereof. In any event, the Board must request the presence of a notary public under the circumstances provided by law.
- 8. The Board of Directors is authorised to adopt appropriate measures to encourage the participation of shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, including the payment of attendance fees.
- 8. The Board of Directors is authorised to adopt appropriate measures to encourage the participation of shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, including the payment of attendance fees.
- 3) The Company shall publicise the items on the agenda and/or the proposed resolutions submitted in accordance with the preceding sections as soon as possible, within the legally mandated periods, and shall publish a new form of attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card that takes them into account. The Company shall also ensure the

dissemination of these proposed resolutions and any documentation attached thereto to the other shareholders, in accordance with the provisions of law.

Article 9. Right to Receive Information Prior to the Holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting

Article 9. Right to Receive 13. Availability of Information Prior to the Holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. The Company shall comply with the statutorily prescribed obligations to provide information to the shareholders through its corporate website, without prejudice to its right to use any other means for such purpose or to the shareholders' right to request the information in written form pursuant to law.
- The Company shall comply with the statutorily prescribed obligations to provide information to the shareholders through its corporate website, without prejudice to its right to use any other means for such purpose or to the shareholders' right to request the information in written form pursuant to law. At the time of the call to meeting, the Board of Directors shall make available to the shareholders all information additional to that required by law that it deems appropriate and that contributes to a better understanding by shareholders with respect to the exercise of their rights in connection with the General Shareholders' Meeting and of the matters to be dealt with thereat.
- 2. From the date of publication of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting through and including the seventh day prior to the date provided for the first call to meeting, the shareholders may request in writing the information or clarifications that they deem are required, or ask written questions that they deem pertinent, regarding the matters contained in the agenda of the call to meeting. In addition, upon the same prior notice and in the same manner, the shareholders may request information or clarifications or ask written questions regarding information accessible to the public that has been provided by the
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All such requests for information may be made by delivery of the request to the Company's registered office, delivery to the Company via mail or other means of electronic or long-distance data transmission sent to the address specified in the announcement of the call to meeting or, in the absence of such specification, to the Office of the Shareholder (Oficina del Accionista). Requests shall be allowed in which the document by virtue of which the information is requested includes recognised electronic signature used by the requesting party or other mechanisms that, pursuant to a resolution previously adopted for such purpose, the Board of Directors deems sufficient to ensure the authenticity and identity of the shareholder exercising such right to receive information.

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Whatever the means used to issue the requests for information, the request of the shareholder must include the shareholder's first and last names, with evidence of the shares owned, in order for this information to be checked against the list of shareholders and the number of shares in the shareholders' name provided by the Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U. (Iberclear), General Shareholders' Meeting in question. The shareholder shall responsible for maintaining proof of delivery of the request to the Company as and when due.

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- 3. The Board of Directors shall be required to provide the information requested pursuant to the preceding sections in the form and within the period provided by law and the Company's Corporate Governance System, except in cases in which:
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- a) It is requested by shareholders representing less than twenty-five (25%) per cent of the share capital and publication thereof may, in the opinion of the chairman, prejudice the corporate interest.
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- b) The request for information or clarification does not refer to matters included in the agenda of the call to meeting or information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Market Commission since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting.
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- c) The requested information or clarification is improper, untimely, or unnecessary to form an opinion regarding the matters submitted to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, or is deemed abusive for any reason or contrary to the principle of equal treatment or to the rights or interests of other shareholders.
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- d) Legal or regulatory provisions provide otherwise.
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- 4. The Board of Directors may authorise any of its members, its secretary, its deputy secretary or deputy secretaries, or any other person it deems appropriate, in order for any of them to respond on behalf of the Board of Directors to
- 4. The Board of Directors may authorise any of its members, its secretary, its deputy secretary or deputy secretaries, or any other person it deems appropriate, in order for any of them to respond on behalf of the Board of

shareholder requests for information.	Directors to shareholder requests for
	information.
5. When the shareholders are to deal with an amendment to the By-Laws, besides the statements required by law in each case, the announcement of the call to meeting must make clear the right of all shareholders to examine at the Company's registered office the complete text of the proposed amendment and the report thereon and to request that such documents be delivered or sent to them without charge.	2. S. When the shareholders are to deal with an amendment to the <i>By-Laws</i> , besides the statements required by law in each case, the announcement of the call to meeting must make clear the right of all shareholders to examine at the Company's registered office the complete text of the proposed amendment and the report thereon and to request that such documents be delivered or sent to them without charge.
6. In all cases in which the law so requires, such information and additional documentation as is mandatory shall be made available to the shareholders.	3. 6. In all cases in which the law so requires, such information and additional documentation as is mandatory shall be made available to the shareholders.
	Article 14. Corporate Website
	1. The Company shall use its corporate website to promote the informed participation of all shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting and
	to facilitate the exercise of their rights related thereto.
7. From the date of publication of the announcement of the call to meeting through the date of holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting in question, the Company's corporate website shall continuously publish such information as is deemed appropriate to facilitate the attendance of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting and their participation therein, including at least the following:	related thereto. 2. 7.—From the date of

the General Shareholders' Meeting.

- the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- b) The total number of shares and voting rights on the date of the announcement of the call to meeting, broken down by classes of shares, if any.
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- c) Such documents relating to the General Shareholders' Meeting as are required by law, including the reports of directors, auditors, and independent experts that are expected to be submitted, proposals for resolutions submitted by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders, and any other relevant information that the shareholders might need in order to cast their vote.
- c) Such documents relating to the General Shareholders' Meeting as are required by law, including the reports of directors. the auditors, and the independent experts that are expected to be submitted, proposals forproposed resolutions submitted by the Board of Directors or by the shareholders, and any other relevant information that the shareholders might need in order to cast their vote.
- In the event that the shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting must deliberate on the appointment, reelection, or ratification of directors, the corresponding proposed resolution shall accompanied the by following information: professional profile biographical data of the director; other boards of directors on which the director holds office, at listed companies or otherwise; indication of the type of director such person is in each case, with mention, in the case of proprietary directors, of the shareholder that proposes or proposed the appointment thereof or with which the director has ties: date of director's first and subsequent appointments as director of the Company; and shares of the Company and derivative financial instruments whose underlying assets are shares of the Company of which such director is the holder.
- In the event that the shareholders d) acting General Shareholders' at a Meeting must deliberate appointment, re-election, or ratification of directors, the corresponding proposed resolution shall be accompanied by the following information: professional profile and biographical data of the director; other boards of directors on which the director holds office, at listed companies or otherwise; indication of the type of director such person is in each ease or should be, with mention, in the case of proprietary directors, of the shareholder that proposes or proposed the appointment thereof or who the director represents or with which the director hasmaintains ties; date of the director's first and any subsequent appointments as director of the Company; and shares of the Company and derivative financial instruments whose underlying assets are shares of the Company of which such director is the holder; the report prepared by the Board of Directors and the

	proposal of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee in the case of independent directors, and the report of the Committee in other cases.
e) The existing channels of communication between the Company and the shareholders and, in particular, explanations pertinent to the exercise of a shareholder's right to receive information, indicating the postal and e-mail addresses to which the shareholders may direct their requests.	e) The existing channels of communication between the Company and the shareholders and, in particular, explanations pertinent to the exercise of a shareholder's the right to receive information, indicating the postal and email addresses to which the shareholders may direct their requests.
f) The means and procedures for granting a proxy to attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and for casting absentee votes, including the form of attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card, if any.	f) The means and procedures for granting a proxy to attend the General Shareholders' Meeting and for casting absentee votes, including the form of attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card, if any.
	g) The annual reports that the Board of Directors has approved regarding corporate social responsibility.
	h) The report on the independence of the auditor prepared by the Audit and Risk Supervision Committee.
	i) <u>The activities reports or integrated activities report of the consultative committees of the Board of Directors.</u>
8. The Company shall use its best efforts to include in its corporate website, beginning on the date of the announcement of the call to meeting, an English version of the information and the principal documents related to the General Shareholders' Meeting in order to facilitate shareholders' attendance and participation therein. In the event of such inclusion within the corporate website, the Spanish version of the aforementioned	3. 8. The Company shall use its best efforts to include in its corporate website, beginning on the date of the announcement of the call to meeting, an English version of the information and the principal documents related to the General Shareholders' Meeting in order to facilitate shareholders' attendance and participation therein. In the event of such inclusion within the corporate website, the Spanish version of the

documents shall prevail in the case of any discrepancy.

aforementioned documents a discrepancy between the Spanish and English versions, the former shall prevail in the case of any discrepancy.

- 9. The Board of Directors shall consider the advisability of making available to the shareholders, at the time of the call to meeting, any additional information that contributes to a better understanding by shareholders of the manner of exercising their rights in connection with the General Shareholders' Meeting and of the matters to be dealt with thereat.
- 9. The Board of Directors shall consider the advisability of making available to the shareholders, at the time of the call to meeting, any additional information that contributes to a better understanding by shareholders of the manner of exercising their rights in connection with the General Shareholders' Meeting and of the matters to be dealt with thereat.
- 10. On occasion of the call to each General Shareholders' Meeting, the Board of Directors may approve and make available the shareholders to Shareholder's Guide that systematises, develops, adapts, and specifies provisions of the Company's Corporate Governance System regarding the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting and rights of the shareholders the connection therewith. within framework of the corporate interest, as well as a form of attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card.
- 10. On occasion of the call to each General Shareholders' Meeting, the Board of Directors may approve and make available to the shareholders a Shareholder's Guide that systematises, develops, adapts, and specifies the provisions of the Company's Corporate Governance System regarding the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting and the rights of the shareholders in connection therewith, within the framework of the corporate interest, as well as a form of attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card.
- Pursuant to the provisions of applicable legislation, an Electronic Shareholders' Forum shall be enabled on the Company's corporate website on occasion of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting. Duly verified shareholders and shareholder groups may access the Electronic Shareholders' Forum, the use of which shall conform to its legal purpose and to the assurances and rules of operation established by the Company.
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Article 15. Requests for Information Prior to the General Shareholders' Meeting
1. From the date of publication of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting through and including the fifth day prior to the date provided for the first call to meeting, the shareholders may request in writing the information or clarifications that they deem are required or ask written questions that they deem pertinent regarding (i) the matters contained in the agenda for the meeting; (ii) information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Market Commission since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting; and (iii) the audit report.
2. All such requests for information or questions may be made or asked by delivery of the request to the Company's registered office, or by delivery to the Company via mail or other means of electronic or long-distance data transmission sent to the address specified in the announcement of the call to meeting or, in the absence thereof, to the Office of the Shareholder (<i>Oficina del Accionista</i>). Requests shall be allowed that include the recognised electronic signature of the requesting party, the personal passwords referred to in letter c of article 19.2 below, or that use other mechanisms that the Board of Directors deems sufficient to ensure the authenticity and identity of the shareholder, after an express resolution adopted for such purpose.
request must include the shareholder's

	first and last names or company name, with evidence of the shares owned, in order for this information to be checked against the list of shareholders and the number of shares in the shareholders' name provided by "Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U." (IBERCLEAR) for the General Shareholders' Meeting in question. The shareholder shall be responsible for showing delivery of the request to the Company as and when due.
	4. The Board of Directors shall be required to provide the information requested pursuant to the two preceding paragraphs in the form and within the periods set forth in the law, in the By-Laws, and in these Regulations, except in cases in which it is unnecessary for the protection of shareholder rights, there are objective reasons to believe that it might be used for ultra vires purposes, or that publication of the information might prejudice the Company or related companies.
	5. The information requested may not be denied if it is supported by shareholders representing at least twenty-five per cent of the share capital.
	6. The Board of Directors may authorise any of its members, its secretary, its deputy secretary or deputy secretaries, or any other person it deems appropriate, in order for any of them to respond on behalf of the Board of Directors to shareholder requests for information.
- 25	7. To ensure the equal treatment of all shareholders, valid requests for information, clarification, or requests

	made in writing by the shareholders and the answers provided in the same form by the Board of Directors or the persons delegated thereby shall be included in the corporate website of the Company. 8. If, prior to the presentation of a
	specific question, the information requested is clearly, expressly, and directly available to all shareholders on the corporate website in question/answer format, the answer may consist of a reference to the information provided in such format.
TITLE III. RIGHT TO ATTEND AND PROXY REPRESENTATION	TITLE III. RIGHTRIGHTS TO ATTEND AND TO PROXY REPRESENTATION
Article 10. Right to Attend	Article 10. Right to Attend 16. Participation
	The Board of Directors shall adopt appropriate measures to encourage maximum participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting.
	Article 17. Attendance
1. All holders of voting shares may attend the General Shareholders' Meeting, with the right to be heard and to vote.	1. All holders of <u>at least one</u> voting <u>sharesshare</u> may attend the General Shareholders' Meeting <u>and take part in deliberations thereof</u> , with the right to be heard and to vote.
2. In order to exercise the right to attend, shareholders must cause the shares to be registered in their name in the corresponding book-entry register at least five (5) days prior to the day on which the General Shareholders' Meeting is to be held. This circumstance must be evidenced with the appropriate attendance,	2. In order to exercise the right to attend, shareholders must cause the shares to be registered in their name in the corresponding book-entry register at least five—(5) days prior to the day on which the General Shareholders' Meeting is to be held. This circumstance must be evidenced with the appropriate

of company affairs may be authorised to attend the General Shareholders' Meeting by the chair thereof. In addition, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may	ersons interested in the efficient running f company affairs may be authorised to tend the General Shareholders' Meeting the chair thereof. In addition, the chair
other person the chair deems appropriate access to such General Shareholders' Meeting, although the shareholders acting thereat may revoke such authorisation. Geraut General Shareholders' office authorisation. with correct General Shareholders' office authorisation.	f the General Shareholders' Meeting hay grant the press The chair of the general Shareholders' Meeting may athorise the meeting to be attended by afficers, employees, and other person with an interest in the orderly conduct of corporate matters, as well as by the meeting, financial analysts, and any other erson the chair deems appropriate excess to such General Shareholders' fleeting, although the The shareholders eting thereatat the General hareholders' Meeting may revoke such authorisation.
the sha	Personnel from the Office of the hareholder and the person performing the duties described in article 27.3 below that hareholders' Meeting.
	epresentation Right to Proxy

right to attend the General Shareholders' Meeting personally or through proxy representation by another person, whether or not such person is a shareholder, by complying with the requirements of law and the Corporate Governance System.

right to attend the General Shareholders' Meeting personally or through proxy representation by another person, whether or not such person is a shareholder, by complying with the requirements of law and the Corporate Governance System.

- 2. Without prejudice to the provisions of law, proxies must be given in writing or by postal or electronic correspondence. When granted by means of postal or electronic correspondence, only those proxies that are granted in the following manner shall be deemed valid:
- 2. Without prejudice to the provisions of law, proxies must be given in writing or by postal or electronic correspondence. When granted by means of postal or electronic correspondence, only those proxies that are granted in the following manner shall be deemed valid: The proxy may be granted by delivering to the proxy representative the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or any other means of verifying the grant of a proxy that is accepted by the Company, or by any of the following means:
- a) By postal correspondence, delivering to the Company the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card issued or any other means of verifying the grant of a proxy that is accepted by the Company.
- a) Advance delivery of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or any other means of verifying the grant of a proxy that is accepted by the Company at the premises provided by the Company on the days announced in the Company's corporate website.
- b) By electronic correspondence, through notice to the Company setting forth the details of the proxy being granted and the identity of the shareholder being represented, and using a recognised electronic signature of the shareholder or other type of guarantee that the Company deems best ensures the authenticity and identification of the shareholder granting the proxy.
- b) a) By postal correspondence, delivering to the Company the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card issued Sending the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or any other means of verifying the grant of a proxy that is accepted by the Company by postal correspondence addressed to the Company.
- c) b)—By electronic correspondence, through notice to the Company setting forth the details of the

	proxy being granted and the identity of the shareholder being represented, and completing the proxy form available on the Company's corporate website, using a recognised electronic signature of the shareholder or other type of guarantee that the Company deems best ensures proper to ensure the authenticity and identification of the shareholder granting the proxy.
	For these purposes, the use of the personal passwords that the Company has previously delivered to the shareholder by postal or electronic correspondence to the address that the shareholder has communicated to the Company or through any other form determined by the Board of Directors shall be deemed to be a proper assurance.
A proxy granted by either of the aforementioned means of long-distance communication must be received by the Company before 24:00 on the day immediately prior to the day set for the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting upon first or second call, as applicable.	3. A proxy granted by eitherany of the aforementioned means of long-distance communicationmeans indicated in letters a), b), or c) of the preceding section must be received by the Company before 24:00 on the day immediately prior to the day set for the holding of which the General Shareholders' Meeting is held upon first call or upon second call, as applicable.
3. The Board of Directors is authorised to further develop the foregoing provisions by establishing rules, means, and procedures adjusted to current techniques in order to organise the grant of proxies by electronic means, in each case in accordance with the rules and regulations issued for such purpose.	4. 3. The Board of Directors is authorised to further develop the foregoing provisions by establishing rules, means, and procedures adjusted to current techniques in order to organise the grant of proxies by electronic means, in each case in accordance with the rules and regulations issued for such purpose.
Specifically, the Board of Directors may establish rules for the use of guarantees other than electronic signatures for the granting of proxies by electronic	Specifically, the Board of Directors may establish rules for the use of <u>personal</u> <u>passwords and other</u> guarantees other than electronic signatures for the granting

correspondence, reduce the advance period established above for receipt by the Company of proxies granted by postal or electronic correspondence, and allow and authorise the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the persons acting by delegation therefrom to accept any absentee votes received after such period, to the extent allowed by the means available.

of proxies by electronic correspondence, reduce the advance period established above for receipt by the Company of proxies granted by postal or electronic correspondence, and allow and authorise the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the persons acting by delegation therefrom to accept any absentee votes received after such period, to the extent allowed by the means available.

- 4. The chairman and the secretary of the Board of Directors or the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation therefrom, shall have the broadest powers to verify the identity of the shareholders and their representatives, verify the ownership and status of their rights, and recognise the validity of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or the document or instrument evidencing attendance or representation by proxy.
- -The chairman and the secretary of the Board of Directors or the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation therefrom from either of them, shall have the broadest powers to verify for verifying the identity of the shareholders and their representatives. **verify**verifying ownership and status of their rights, and recogniserecognising the validity of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card or the document or instrument evidencing attendance or representation by proxy.
- 5. A proxy is always revocable. Attendance by the shareholder granting the proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting, whether in person or due to having cast an absentee vote on a date subsequent to that of the proxy, shall have the effect of revoking the proxy.
- 6. 5. A proxy is always revocable. Attendance by the shareholder granting the proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting, whether in person or due to having cast an absentee vote on a date subsequent to that of the proxy, shall have the effect of revoking the proxy.
- 6. A public solicitation for proxies by the Board of Directors or any of its members shall be governed by the provisions of law and by the corresponding resolution of the Board of Directors, if any.
- 7. 6. A public solicitation for proxies by the Board of Directors or any of its members shall be governed by the provisions of law and by the corresponding resolution of the Board of Directors, if any.

- 7. A proxy may cover those matters that the law allows to be dealt with at the General Shareholders' Meeting even when not included in the agenda.
- 8. 7. A proxy may cover those matters that the law allows to be dealt with at the General Shareholders' Meeting even when not included in the agenda.
- 8. If the proxy has been validly granted pursuant to law and these Regulations but does not include voting instructions or questions arise as to the intended proxy-holder or the scope of the representation, and unless otherwise indicated by the shareholder, it shall be deemed that: the proxy is granted in favour of the chairman of the Board of Directors; refers to all of the items included in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting; contains the instruction to vote favourably on all proposals made by the Board of Directors with respect to the items on the agenda of the call to meeting; and also extends to matters that, although not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, may be dealt with at the General Shareholders' Meeting because it is so allowed by law, in respect of which the proxy-holder shall vote in the direction the proxy-holder deems most favourable to the interests of the shareholder granting the proxy, within the framework of the corporate interest.

If the proxy has been validly granted pursuant to law and these Regulations but does not include voting instructions or questions arise as to the intended proxy-holder or the scope of the representation, and unless otherwise indicated by the shareholder, it shall be deemed that: (i) the proxy is granted in favour of the chairman of the Board of Directors; (ii) refers to all of the items included in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting: contains the instruction to vote favourably on all proposals made by the Board of Directors with respect to the items on the agenda of the call to meeting; and also(iv) extends to matters that, although not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, may be dealt with at the General Shareholders' Meeting because it is so allowed by in accordance with law, in respect of which the proxyholder shall vote in the direction the proxy-holder deems most favourable to the interests of the shareholder granting the proxy, within the framework of the corporate interest.

Any Shareholder's Guide approved by the Board of Directors may further develop these provisions.

Any Shareholder's Guide This provision may be further developed by any rules approved by the Board of Directors may further develop these provisions. that systematise, further develop, adapt, and specify the provisions of the Corporate Governance System regarding the management of the General Shareholders' Meeting.

- Before being appointed, the proxyholder shall provide detailed information to the shareholder regarding whether a conflict of interest exists. If the conflict is subsequent to the appointment and the shareholder granting the proxy has not been advised of the possible existence of such conflict, the proxy-holder shall immediately inform the shareholder thereof. In both cases, if the proxy-holder has not received new specific voting instructions regarding each of the matters on which the proxy-holder has to vote on behalf of the shareholder, the proxy-holder from voting. abstain without prejudice to the provisions of the following section.
- 10. -Before being appointed, the proxy-holder shall provide detailed information to the shareholder regarding whether athe existence of any conflict of interest—exists. If the conflict subsequent to the appointment and the shareholder granting the proxy has not been advised of the possible existence of such conflict, the proxy-holder shall immediately inform the shareholder thereof. In both cases, if the proxy-holder has not received new specific voting instructions regarding each of the matters on which the proxy-holder has to vote on behalf of the shareholder, the proxyholder shall abstain from voting, without prejudice to the provisions of the following section.
- 10. Unless otherwise expressly indicated by the shareholder granting the proxy, in the event that the proxy-holder is subject to a conflict of interest and does not have specific voting instructions, it shall be deemed for such circumstance that the shareholder granting the proxy has appointed as proxy-holders, jointly and severally and successively, in the order set forth below in the event that any of them is in turn subject to a conflict of interest: the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, and the deputy secretary of the Board of Directors, if any. In this latter event, if there are several deputy secretaries, the order to be used shall be the order established at the time of their appointment (first deputy secretary, second deputy secretary, etc.).
- -Unless <u>11.</u> 10. otherwise expressly indicated by the shareholder granting the proxy, in the event that, if the proxy-holder is subject to affected by a conflict of interest and does not havehas no specific voting instructions, it shall be deemed for such circumstance that the shareholder granting the proxy hasor if the proxy-holder has them but it is deemed preferable that the proxyholder not exercise the proxy with respect to the items involved in the conflict of interest, the shareholder shall be deemed to have appointed the following persons as proxy-holders for such items, jointly and severally and successively, in the order set forth below in the event that any of them is in turn subject toaffected by a conflict of interest: first, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, second, the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, and therefor, and finally, the deputy secretary of the Board of Directors, if any. In this latter event, if

there are several deputy secretaries, the order to be used shall be the order their established at the time of appointment (first deputy secretary, second deputy secretary, etc.). The proxy representative so designated shall cast the vote in the direction deemed most favourable to the interests of the person represented thereby, within framework of the corporate interest.

12. A proxy representative may hold the proxy of more than one shareholder without limitation as to the number of shareholders being represented, and exercise the corresponding voting rights pursuant to the provisions of article 40.3 below.

Article 13. Attendance, Proxy, and Absentee Voting Cards

Article <u>13.20.</u> Attendance, Proxy, and Absentee Voting Cards

The Company may propose to the entities participating in the Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U. (Iberclear) and to the brokers, representatives, and depositaries general, a form of attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card as well as the formula to be recited in such document in order to delegate proxy representation at the meeting in favour of another person, which, in the absence of specific instructions from the shareholder granting the proxy, may also set forth the way for the proxy-holder to vote with respect to each of the resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors in connection with each item on the agenda of the call to meeting. The attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card may also specify the identity of the proxy-holder and the alternate or alternates for the proxy-holder

The Company may issue the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards for the participation of the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, and also propose to the entities participating in the "Sociedad de Gestión los Sistemas Registro, de de Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U." (Iberclear IBERCLEAR) and to brokers, representatives, depositaries in general, athe form of attendance, proxy, and absentee voting eardsuch cards as well as the formula tothat must be recited in such document in-order to delegate proxy representation at the meeting in favour of another person, which, in the absence of specific instructions from the shareholderparty granting the proxy, may also set forth the way for the proxy-holder to vote with respect to each of the resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors in in the event of a conflict of interest, in the absence of express appointment by the shareholder being represented.

connection with each item on the agenda of the call to meeting. The attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card may also specify the identity of the proxy-holder and the alternate or alternates for the proxy-holder in the event of a conflict of interest, in the absence of express appointment by the shareholder being represented.

The Company shall ensure that the cards issued by such entities are uniform and include a bar code or other system that allows for the reading thereof by electronic or long-distance data transmission means in order to facilitate the computerised calculation of attendees at the meeting.

The Company shall ensure that the cards issued by such entities are uniform and include a bar code or other system that allows for the reading thereof by electronic or long-distance data transmission means in order to facilitate the computerised calculation of attendees at the meeting. shares represented in person and by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting.

- 2. The proxy or voting instructions of the shareholders acting through brokers, representatives, or depositaries may be received by the Company through any valid system or means of long-distance communication, signed by the shareholder or by the entity. The entities may group together instructions received from shareholders and send them in a block to the Company, indicating the direction of such instructions.
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- 3. If a broker, representative, or depositary sends to the Company an attendance, proxy, or absentee voting card or verification instrument of a shareholder duly identified therein with the signature, stamp, and/or mechanical impression of the entity, and unless the shareholder expressly indicates otherwise, it shall be deemed that the shareholder has instructed such entity to exercise the proxy or voting
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right, as applicable, in the direction indicated in such card or instrument evidencing the proxy or vote. If there are questions regarding such instructions, it shall be deemed that the shareholder grants the proxy to the chairman of the Board of Directors with the scope set forth in these Regulations and that the shareholder gives specific instructions to vote in favour of the proposals made by the Board of Directors in connection with the items on the agenda of the call to meeting.

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- 4. In other respects, the other rules contained in the Company's Corporate Governance System and those established by the Board of Directors in order to further develop such rules shall apply to the proxies and absentee votes referred to in this article.
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- 5. All of the foregoing shall be without prejudice to the regulations applicable to the relations between financial intermediaries and their customers for purposes of the exercise of the rights to grant a proxy and to vote pursuant to law.
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TITLE IV. INFRASTRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT

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Article 14. Place of the Meeting

Article 14.21. Place of the Meeting

1. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be held at the place indicated in the call to meeting in any municipality within the Historical Territory of Biscay. If no place is indicated in the call, it shall be deemed that the meeting will take place at the registered office.

1. The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be held at the place indicated in the call to meeting in any municipality—within the Historical Territory of Biscaymunicipal territory of Bilbao. If no place is indicated in the call, it shall be deemed that the meeting will take place at the registered office.

The General Shareholders' Meeting may be attended by going to the place where the meeting is to be held or, if applicable, to other places provided by the Company and indicated in the call to meeting and that are connected therewith by any valid systems that allow for recognition and identification of the parties attending, permanent communication among the attendees regardless of their location. and participation and voting, all in real time. The principal place of the meeting must be located in the municipality of the Historical Territory of Biscay indicated in the call to meeting, but supplemental locations need not be so located. For all purposes relating to the General Shareholders' Meeting, attendees at any of the sites shall be deemed attendees at the same individual meeting. The meeting shall be deemed to have been held at the principal location thereof.

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Article 15. Infrastructure, Means of Communication, and Services Available at the Premises

The premises to be used to hold the General Shareholders' Meeting shall have the personnel, technical equipment, and safety. assistance, and emergency measures commensurate with the nature and location of the property and with the importance of the event. In addition, the premises for holding the General Shareholders' Meeting shall have the emergency and evacuation measures required by law, as well other measures deemed appropriate in light of

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circumstances.

- 2. The Company may make available other appropriate premises with similar characteristics where the General Shareholders' Meeting can be held in the event of an emergency.
- 3. Appropriate safety controls and surveillance and protection measures, as well as systems for controlling access to the meeting, shall be established in order to ensure the safety of the attendees and the orderly conduct of the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 4. Once the General Shareholders' Meeting has commenced, the attendees are prohibited from using voice amplification instruments, mobile phones, photographic equipment, audio and/or video recording, and/or transmission equipment and, in general any instrument that might alter the visibility, sound, or lighting conditions of the proceedings, except to the extent allowed by the chair thereof.
- 5. The proceedings of the General Shareholders' Meeting may be the subject of audiovisual recording, if so determined by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting. They may also be the subject of retransmission by any means, including over the internet, and broadcast on social networks.

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- The proceedings of the General Shareholders' Meeting may be the subject of audiovisual recording, if so determined by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting. They may also be the subject of retransmission to storage and live or recorded broadcast by any means, including over the internet, and social broadcaston networks. dissemination on social networks. Entering the premises where the General Shareholders' Meeting is to be held signifies the consent of the shareholders or their proxy representatives to the capture of their image (including voice) and the processing of their personal data. The owner of the data shall have the

rights of access, rectification, objection, or erasure of the data collected by the Company, upon the terms provided by law, by sending a letter to the Company at its registered office, to the attention of the Office of the General Secretary (Secretaría General).

- Equipment may be made available that facilitates access to the premises where the General Shareholders' Meeting is held and the following thereof by persons with disabilities or that allows for simultaneous interpretation presentations at the General Shareholders' Meeting when deemed appropriate for any reason. Specifically, the Company may have the instruments necessary for simultaneous interpretation the proceedings of the General Shareholders' Meeting into Euskera, English, Spanish sign language, although the proceedings of the General Shareholders' Meeting in Spanish shall prevail in all cases.
- Equipment may be made available that facilitates access to the premises where the General Shareholders' Meeting is held and the following thereof by persons with disabilities or that allows for the simultaneous interpretation of presentations at Whenever reasonably possible, the Company shall endeavour to ensure that the premises at which the General Shareholders' Meeting when deemed appropriate for any reason. Specifically, the Company may have the instruments necessary for is held has the means to allow access by persons with reduced mobility and the simultaneous interpretation of the proceedings of the General Shareholders' Meeting into Euskera (Basque), English, and Spanish sign language, although the proceedings of those other languages that the Board of Directors deems appropriate. The Company shall also establish measures that facilitate participation in the General Shareholders' Meeting in Spanish shall prevail in all cases. by attendees with auditory or visual limitations.
- 7. Any additional information that facilitates following the General Shareholders' Meeting, such as programmes for the meeting or any other documentation deemed useful for such purpose, may also be made available to the shareholders.
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shareholders.

Article 16. Computer System for the Recording of Proxies and Voting Instructions, Preparation of the List of Attendees, and Calculation of Voting Results

Article 16.23. Computer System for the Recording of Proxies and Voting Instructions, Preparation of the List of Attendees, and Calculation of Voting Results

- 1. The Company shall have the personnel and technical equipment required to perform computer monitoring and counting of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards that are received.
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- of the General 2. On the day Shareholders' Meeting, the premises indicated for the meeting shall be supplied personnel and with the technical equipment required to monitor the entry of shareholders attending the meeting and to determine the provisional and final quorum, prepare the list of shareholders present in person and by proxy, and calculate the voting.
- 2. On the day of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the premises indicated for the meeting shall be supplied with the personnel and technical equipment required to monitor the entry of shareholdersthose attending the meeting and to determine the provisional and final quorum, prepare the list of shareholders present in person and by proxy, and calculate the voting.
- 3. In order to undertake such activity, the Company may, in accordance with applicable rules and regulations, ask the Sociedad de Gestión de los Sistemas de Registro, Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, S.A.U. (Iberclear) to provide a list of the Company's shareholders and the number of shares appearing in the name of each shareholder.
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Article 17. Office of the Shareholder

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The Company shall set up an Office of the Shareholder in a visible place at the stated premises of the General Shareholders' Meeting, in order to:

- a) Answer questions regarding the proceedings raised by the attendees prior to the commencement of the meeting, without prejudice to the rights of the shareholders under legal and by-law provisions to take the floor, make proposals, and vote.
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- b) Assist and inform attendees and shareholders who wish to take the floor, preparing for such purpose a list of those who previously state their desire to participate, as well as collecting the text of their statements, if such statements are available in writing.
- b) Assist and inform attendees—and shareholders who wish to take the floor, preparing for such purpose a list of those who previously state their desire to participate, as well as collecting the text of their statements, if such statements are available in writing.
- Provide to the attendees who so request the full text of the resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors or shareholders for submission at the General Shareholders' Meeting regarding each item on the agenda of the call to meeting. Excepted from the foregoing are those that have been proposals prepared immediately prior to the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting and that for such reason cannot be delivered in written form to all attendees. In addition. there shall be made available to the attendees copies of the directors' reports and other documentation which, pursuant to legal or by-law provisions, have been made available to the shareholders with respect to such proposed resolutions.
- Provide to the attendees who so request the full text of the resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors or shareholders for submission at the General Shareholders' Meeting regarding each item on the agenda of the call to meeting. Excepted from the foregoing are those proposals that have been prepared immediately prior to the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting and that for such reason cannot be delivered in written form to all attendees. In addition. there shall be made available to the attendees copies Copies of the directors' reports and other documentation which. pursuant to legal or by-law provisions, have been made available to the shareholders with respect to such relating to the proposed resolutions shall also be made available to them.

TITLE V. CONDUCT OF THE GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING

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Article 18. Opening of the Premises and Monitoring Access Thereto

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provided for the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting on first or second call, and beginning one hour prior to the time announced for the commencement of the meeting (unless otherwise specified in the announcement of the call to meeting). shareholders their valid the or present representatives their may respective attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards or proxy verification instruments.

provided in the announcement for the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting on first or second call, and beginning one hour prior to the time announced for the commencement of the meeting (unless otherwise specified in the announcement of the call to meeting), the shareholders or their valid proxy representatives maymust present their respective attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards or proxy verification instruments.verification documents to the personnel in charge of the registration of attendees.

Once the acceptance of attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards and verification instruments has ended, the shareholders and proxy representatives, if any, arriving late at the place where the General Shareholders' Meeting is held may attend the meeting (in the room where the meeting is held or, if so decided by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, in an adjoining room from where they can follow the meeting), but will not be included in the list of attendees.

Once the acceptance attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards and verification instruments has ended, the Once registration has closed, shareholders and or proxy representatives, if any, arriving late at the place where the General Shareholders' Meeting is held may attend the meeting as invitees (in the room where the meeting is held or, if so decided by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, in an adjoining room from where they can follow the meeting), but will not be included in the list of attendees.

2. In the event that a second call is made due to the failure to attend of the number of shareholders legally required to hold the General Shareholders' Meeting upon first call, such circumstance shall be properly recorded in the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting.

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Article 19. Presiding Committee, Chair, and Secretary

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The Presiding Committee (Mesa) of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be formed at the time stated in the shall be formed at the time stated in the

The Presiding Committee (Mesa) of the General Shareholders' Meeting call to the General Shareholders' Meeting. The Presiding Committee shall be made up of the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the other members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting. Without prejudice to the powers assigned thereto in these Regulations, the Presiding Committee shall assist the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, at the chair's request, in performing the duties entrusted thereto

- -General -Shareholders' Meeting. The Presiding Committee shall be made up of the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and of the other members of the Board of Directors present atattending the meeting. Without prejudice to the assigned thereto powers in these Regulations, the Presiding Committee shall assist the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, at the chair's performing the request, in duties entrusted thereto.
- 2. The chairman of the Board of Directors, or, in the absence thereof, the vice-chair of the Board of Directors, shall act as chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting; if there are several vice-chairs of the Board of Directors, they shall act in the order set forth in the By-Laws; and in the absence of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall serve.
- 2. The chairman of the Board of Directors, or, in the absence thereof, the vice-chair of the Board of Directors, shall act as chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting; if there are several vice-chairs of the Board of Directors, they shall act in the order set forth in the *By-Laws*; and in the absence of the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall serve.
- 3. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be assisted by the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, the deputy secretary of the Board of Directors. shall act as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting; if there are several deputy secretaries, they shall serve in the order established at the time of their appointment (first deputy secretary, second deputy secretary, etc.). In the absence of both, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall serve.
- The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be assisted by the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting. The secretary of the Board of Directors or, in the absence thereof, the deputy secretary of the Board of Directors, shall act as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting; if there are several deputy secretaries, they shall serve in the order established at the time their appointment (first deputy secretary, second deputy secretary, etc.). In the absence of both the foregoing, the person appointed by the Presiding Committee shall serve as secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 4. The provisions of sections 2 and 3 above shall also apply if the chair or the

	secretary, in each case, must remove themselves for any reason during the holding of the meeting as regards their situation in the performance of their duties.
4. In addition, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may, if the chair so desires, obtain the assistance of any person the chair deems appropriate.	5. 4.—In addition, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may, if the chair so desires, obtain the assistance of any person the chair deems appropriate.
Article 20. Duties of the Chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting	Article 20.27. Duties of the ChairChairman of the General Shareholders' Meeting
1. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, who is responsible for presiding over the meeting, shall generally have the broadest powers needed for the best conduct thereof, including the following:	1. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, who is responsible for presiding overprogress of the meeting, shall generally have the broadest—powers needed for the best conduct thereof, such purposes (including those of order and discipline), and the following-powers, among others:
a) To call the meeting to order.	<u>a)</u> To call the meeting to order.
b) To verify that there is a valid quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting and, if applicable, to declare it to be validly in session.	b) To verify that there is a valid quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting and, if applicable, to declare it to be validly in session.
c) To take notice of the request, if any, made by the Board of Directors for the presence of a notary public to take the minutes of the meeting.	c) To take notice of the request, if any, made by the Board of Directors for the presence of a notary public if any, to take the minutes of the meeting. as a result of a request made by the Board of Directors for such purpose.
d) To make decisions regarding questions, requests for clarification, or claims raised with respect to the list of attendees, the identity and the legitimacy of the shareholders and proxy representatives, the authenticity and	d) To make decisions regarding questions, requests for clarification, or claims raised with respect to the list of attendees, the identity and the legitimacy of the shareholders and their proxy representatives, the authenticity and

integrity of the attendance, proxy, and cards voting or relevant verification instruments, as well as all matters relating to the possible exclusion, suspension, or limitation of voting and related rights and, specifically, to the right to vote attaching to the shares pursuant to Company's law or the Corporate Governance System.

integrity of the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting cards or relevant verification instruments, as well as all matters relating to the possible exclusion, suspension, or limitation of voting and related rights and, specifically, to the right to vote attaching to the shares pursuant to law orand the Company's Corporate Governance System. By-Laws.

- e) If the chair deems it appropriate, to address the General Shareholders' Meeting to give an account of the Company's progress and to describe its results, goals, and plans.
- HTO grant the floor to executive directors or officers that the chair deems it appropriate in order to address the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting to give an accountin order to report on the progress of the Company's progress and to describe its, as well as to present the results, goals, and plans. f) To give the floor to the directors or senior officers that the chair deems appropriate in order for them to address the shareholders at thereof. If the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting has the status of executive director, such presentation may be made directly thereby, in whole or in part.
- f) To give the floor to the directors or senior officers that the chair deems appropriate in order for them to address the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- g) To order and direct presentations such that the debate adheres to the agenda.
- g) To order and direct presentations such that the debate adheres to the agenda.
- h) To order and direct the deliberations by granting the floor to shareholders who so request, and taking the floor away or refusing to grant it when the chair deems that a matter has been sufficiently debated, is not on the agenda, or hinders the proper To order and direct the progress of the meeting in accordance with the powers set forth in article 36 below.

h) To order and direct the i) To reject proposals made by

deliberations by granting the floor to shareholders who so request, and taking the floor away or refusing to grant it when the chair deems that a matter has been sufficiently debated, is not on the agenda, or hinders the proper progress of the meeting.	shareholders when inappropriate or extemporaneous.j)—To indicate the time for voting.k)—To establish voting systems and procedures, organise the voting, and determine the system for counting and calculating the votes.
i) To reject proposals made by shareholders when inappropriate or extemporaneous.	
j) To indicate the time for voting.	
k) To establish voting systems and procedures, organise the voting, and determine the system for counting and calculating the votes.	
l) To announce the results of the voting.	l) To announce the results of the voting.
m) To temporarily suspend the General Shareholders' Meeting.	g) m)—To temporarily suspend the General Shareholders' Meeting and propose the continuation thereof.
n) To adjourn the meeting.	h) n) To adjournbring the meeting to a close.
o) And, in general, to exercise all other powers, including those of order and discipline, which are required to properly hold the General Shareholders' Meeting.	o) And, in general, to exercise all other powers, including those of order and discipline, which are required to properly hold the General Shareholders' Meeting.
2. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, even when present at the meeting, may entrust the management of the debate to a director the chair deems appropriate, or to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, who shall carry out these duties on behalf of the chair, with the chair having the right to retake them at any time.	2. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, even when present at the meeting, may entrust the management of the debate to a director the chair deems appropriate, or to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, who shall carry out these duties on behalf of the chair, with the chair having the right to retake them at any time.

3. If the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting is absent for any reason during the course of the meeting, the chair shall be replaced in the exercise of the duties entrusted thereto in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws and article 19.2 above.	Shareholders' Meeting is absent for any reason during the course of the meeting, the chair shall be replaced in the exercise of the duties entrusted thereto in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws and article 19.2 above. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may appoint a representative of the Company to make an organised presentation to the General Shareholders' Meeting on those questions or considerations that the Company's shareholders —even if they are not in attendance or represented by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting— have submitted to the Company through other channels of participation and that the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting deems appropriate to present.
	Such representative may also present other questions raised by those attending the General Shareholders' Meeting who prefer to ask their questions for delivery to the chair.
Article 21. Duties of the Secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting	Article 21.28. Duties of the Secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting
1. The duties of the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be the following:	1. The duties of the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting shall beassist the chair generally and shall perform the following duties in particular:
a) To declare the Presiding Committee to be formed.	a) To declare the Presiding Committee to be formed.
	b) To prepare by delegation of the chair the list of attendees, for which purpose the secretary shall have such means and systems as are determined by the chair.

- To inform the shareholders at the b) General Shareholders' Meeting. bv delegation from the chair thereof, of the provisional and final quorum shareholders in attendance, indicating the number of shareholders present in person and by proxy, the number of shares they represent in person and those represented by proxy, the percentage of share capital represented by shares present in person and by proxy, and the total number of shareholders and shares in attendance at the meeting with an indication of the percentage of capital that such shares represent, for which purpose Company's treasury shares shall not be counted as being in attendance.
- To informBy delegation of <u>c)</u> the chair, to report to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, by delegation from the chair thereof, of the provisional and final quorum of shareholders in attendance, indicating regarding the quorum, stating the number of shareholders present in person andor by proxy, the number of shares they represent in person and those represented by proxy, with an indication of the percentage of share capital they represent as well as the number of shares represented by shares present in person and by proxy, and the total number of shareholders and shares in attendance at the meeting with an indication of the percentage of capital that such shares represent, for which purpose the Company's treasury shares shall not be counted as being in attendancein person and by proxy, also with the foregoing specification.
- To read, if applicable, or to make a summary report of the essential terms of the announcement of the call to meeting, the text of the proposed resolutions of the Board of Directors, and the other matters on which the Board of Directors is required to report to the shareholders at General Shareholders' Meeting pursuant to law or the Company's Corporate Governance System. A reading of the announcement of the call to meeting, the proposed resolutions, or the other documents relating to the General Shareholders' Meeting shall not be required when such documentation has been made available to the shareholders from the date of publication of the announcement of the call to meeting.
- c) To read, if applicable, or to make a summary report of the essential terms of the announcement of the call to meeting, the text of the proposed resolutions of the Board of Directors, and the other matters on which To report on those matters that the Board of Directors is required tomust report shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting pursuant to law or the Company's Corporate Governance System. A reading of the announcement of the call to meeting, the proposed resolutions, or the other documents relating to the General Shareholders' Meeting shall not be required when such documentation has been made available to the shareholders from the date of publication of the announcement of the

To assist the chair of the General d) Shareholders' Meeting in the resolution of questions, requests for clarification, or claims raised with respect to the list of attendees, proxies, or absentee votes. To draft the minutes of the General e) Shareholders' Meeting, if applicable.

call to meeting.

- To assist the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting in the resolution of questions, requests for clarification, or claims raised with respect to the list of attendees, proxies, or absentee votes.
- To draft the minutes of the <u>e</u>) General Shareholders' Meeting, applicable.
- And, in general, to exercise, at the direction of the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, such powers as are necessary for order and discipline and for the appropriate conduct of the meeting and adoption and formalisation resolutions
- And, in general, to To exercise, at the direction of the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, such powers as are necessary forof order and discipline andas are necessary for the appropriate conduct of the meeting and the adoption and formalisation of resolutions.
- If the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting is absent for any reason during the course of the meeting, the secretary shall be replaced in the performance of the duties entrusted thereto in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws and article 19.3 above.
- 2. If the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting is absent for any reason during the course of the meeting, the secretary shall be replaced in the performance of the duties entrusted thereto in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws and article 19.3 above.

Article 22. Establishment of a Quorum

Article 22.29. Establishment of a **Ouorum**

- The General Shareholders' 1 Meeting shall be validly established with the minimum quorum required by law or the By-Laws, taking into account the matters appearing on the agenda of the call to meeting and whether the meeting is held upon first or second call.
- General Shareholders' The Meeting shall be validly established with the minimum quorum required by law or the By-Laws, taking into account the matters appearing on the agenda of the call to meeting and whether the meeting is held upon first or second call.
- 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of preceding section, shareholders the representing two-thirds (2/3) of subscribed share capital with voting rights must be in attendance at the first call to the General
- Notwithstanding the provisions of preceding shareholders Shareholders representing at least two-thirds (2/3)-of subscribed share capital with voting rights must be in

Shareholders' Meeting, and shareholders representing sixty (60%) per cent of such share capital must be in attendance at the second call, in order to adopt resolutions regarding a change in the object of the Company, transformation, total split-off, dissolution of the Company, and the amendment of article 21.2 of the By-Laws.

- attendance at the first call to the General Shareholders' Meeting, and shareholders representing at least sixty (60%) per cent of such share capital must be in attendance at the second call, in order to adopt resolutions regarding a change in the object of the Company, transformation, total split-off, dissolution of the Company, and the amendment of article 21.2 of the *By-Laws*.
- 3. The absence of shareholders occurring once a quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting has been established shall not affect the validity of the meeting.
- 3. The absence of shareholders occurring once a quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting has been established shall not affect the validity of the meeting.
- 4. If the attendance of shareholders representing a particular percentage of share capital or the consent of specific interested shareholders is required pursuant to law or the By-Laws in order to validly adopt a resolution regarding one or more items on the agenda of the call to meeting, and such percentage is not reached or such shareholders are not present in person or by proxy, shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting limit shall themselves deliberating and deciding regarding those items on the agenda that do not require such percentage of share capital or the presence of such shareholders.
- 4. If the attendance of shareholders a particular representing minimum percentage of share capital or the consent of specific interested shareholders is required pursuant to law or the By-Laws Corporate Governance System in order to validly adopt a resolution regarding one or more items on the agenda of the call to meeting, and such percentage is not reached or such shareholders are not present in person or by proxy, the shareholders at the time of formation of the quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting, the shareholders thereat shall limit themselves deliberating and deciding regarding on those items on the agenda that do not require such percentage of share capital the presenceconsent of such shareholders.

Article 23. List of Attendees

Article 23.30. List of Attendees

1. Once the Presiding Committee has been formed, and prior to beginning with the agenda of the call to meeting, a list of attendees shall be prepared that sets forth the nature or representation of each

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attendee and the number of their own or other parties' shares present. At the end of the list, there shall be a determination of the number of shareholders present in person or by proxy, as well as the amount of capital they own, with a specification as which capital corresponds shareholders with the right to vote. The list of attendees shall include as present those shareholders who have cast absentee votes pursuant to the provisions of the Company's Corporate Governance System.

sets forth the nature or representation of each attendee and, which shall specify those attending as shareholders and those attending as proxy-holders, as well as the number of their own or other parties' shares present with which each one is attending. At the end of the list, there shall be a determination of the number of shareholders present in person or by proxy, as well as the amount of capital they own, with a specification as to which capital corresponds shareholders with the right to vote. The list of attendees shall include as present those shareholders who have cast absentee votes pursuant to the provisions of the Company's Corporate Governance System.

- 2. The list of attendees shall be contained in electronic media, the sealed cover of which shall show the appropriate identification procedure signed by the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting with the approval of the chair thereof.
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- 3. If the meeting takes place in different places pursuant to the provisions of these Regulations, the list of attendees shall also include the share capital represented in person or by proxy in each room. In such case, absentee votes shall be included in the room where the Presiding Committee is located.
- 3. If the meeting takes place in different places pursuant to the provisions of these *Regulations*, the list of attendees shall also include the share capital represented in person or by proxy in each room. In such case, absentee votes shall be included in the room where the Presiding Committee is located.
- 4. The secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting has the power, exercised by delegation from the chair thereof, to prepare the list of attendees. The secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be provided with the means and systems determined by the chair thereof for preparation of the list
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5. The list of attendees shall be attached to the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting.	45. The list of attendees shall be attached to the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting.
Article 24. Commencement of the Meeting	Article 24. Commencement of the Meeting 31. Shareholder Presentation Requests Identification
	Shareholders desiring to address the General Shareholders' Meeting must so request the Office of the Shareholder or to whomever is indicated for such purposes prior to the commencement of the meeting and, and state for the record their first and last names and, if applicable, the name of the corporate shareholder they represent, as well as the number of shares they own and/or represent.
	Article 32. Reports
	1. Once the list of attendees has been prepared and they have been informed regarding the publications of

2. If the annual accounts have qualifications, the Board of Directors may resolve that the chair of the Audit and Compliance Committee and the Company's auditor explain them to the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting.

Article 33. Ratification, if Appropriate, of the Quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting

- 1. Prior to the commencement of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the chair thereof or, by delegation therefrom, the secretary therefor, shall announce the provisional or final information relating to the number of shareholders present in person and by proxy, the number of shares present in person and by proxy, an indication of the percentage of share capital represented by both, and the total number of shareholders and shares in attendance at the meeting with an indication of the share capital represented by such shares.
- Prior to the commencement of the 1. presentation period, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the chair thereof or, or the secretary by delegation therefrom, the secretary therefor, shall announce the provisional or final information relating to the number of shareholders present in person and by proxy, the number of shares present in person and by proxy, shall read the information contained in the list of attendees, detailing the number shareholders present in person and by proxy, the number of shares represented in person and by proxy, with indication of the percentage of share capital represented by that both represent, and the total number of shareholders and shares in attendance at the meeting with an indication of the share capital represented by such shares., with an indication of the share capital that such shares represent.

If such information indicates compliance with the quorum needed to validly hold the General Shareholders' Meeting and the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting can deliberate and adopt resolutions regarding at least one of the items on the agenda of the call to meeting, the chair of the

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- 2. If appropriate, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall announce the presence of a notary public at the meeting and shall identify such notary public, stating that the notary public has been requested to prepare the minutes of the meeting.
- <u>3.</u> <u>2.</u> If appropriate, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall announce the presence of a notary public at the meeting and shall identify such notary public, stating that the notary public has been requested taking notice of the request to prepare the minutes of the meeting.
- 3. If a notary public has been requested to prepare the minutes of the meeting, the notary public shall ask the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting and make clear in the minutes whether there are reservations or objections regarding the statements of the chair of or the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting in connection with the number of shareholders in attendance and the share capital present.
- 4. 3. If a notary public has been requested to prepare the minutes of the meeting, the notary public shall ask the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting and make clear in the minutes whether there are reservations or objections regarding the statements of the chair of or the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting in connection with the number of shareholders in attendance and the share capital present. represented in person and by proxy.

Article 25. Shareholder Requests. Identification

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Shareholders desiring to address the meeting and, if applicable, to request information or clarifications regarding the items on the agenda of the call to meeting or to make proposals must so request at the time indicated by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting and prior to the commencement of the presentation period, to the Office of the Shareholder or to whomever is indicated for such purposes, and state for the record their first and last names and, if applicable, the corporate name of the shareholder they represent, as well as the number of shares they own and/or represent.

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Article 26. Reports

1. While the shareholders who desire to take the floor are identified and verified pursuant to the provisions of the preceding article, the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, at the direction of the chair thereof, shall report to the shareholders regarding the publications of the announcement of the call to meeting.

2. Thereafter, the meeting shall continue with the presentation of any reports by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting and the members of the Board of Directors or the persons designated for such purpose by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting.

3. Thereafter, and in any event prior to voting, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall commence the period for presentations by the shareholders.

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Article 27. Shareholder Presentation

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Shareholder

Period

1. Presentations by duly verified shareholders shall occur in the order in which they are called by the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting. No shareholder may make a presentation dealing with business not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, without prejudice to the proposed resolutions that may legally be submitted outside the agenda of the call to meeting or without the shareholder being granted the floor.

Shareholders 2. make must reasonable use of their power with respect to both the duration of their presentation, which must be brief and concise, as well as the content thereof, which must conform to the provisions of the preceding section and to the respect deserved by the proceedings of the General Shareholders' Meeting and by the other attendees. Presenting parties shall have a maximum of five (5) minutes for each presentation, without prejudice to the powers of the of the General Shareholders' Meeting to limit or extend such period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, when the number of presentations requested or other circumstances so require, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may set a maximum period less than that mentioned above, giving due regard in each case to treatment of presenting shareholders and the principle of nondiscrimination.

Presentation Period

- Presentations by duly verified the shareholders their or representatives shall occur in the order in which they are called by the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting. No shareholder or proxy-holder may make a presentation dealing business without having been granted the floor or to decide matters that are not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, without prejudice to the proposed resolutions that may legally be submitted outside the agenda of the call to meeting or without the shareholder being granted the floor, unless otherwise provided by law.
- Shareholders or their proxy representatives must make reasonable use of their powerpresentation right with respect to both the duration of their presentation, which must be brief and eoneisethereof, which shall be a maximum of five minutes, without prejudice to the chair's powers to limit or extend them, as well as the content thereof, which must conform to the provisions of the preceding section and to the respect deserved by the proceedings of the General Shareholders' Meeting and by the other attendees. Presenting parties shall have a maximum of five (5) minutes for each presentation, without prejudice to the powers of the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting to limit or extend such period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, whenthe other attendees. If the number of presentations requested or other circumstances so require advise, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may set a maximum period less than that mentioned above, giving due

Article 28. Right to Receive Information during the General Shareholders' Meeting	Article 28.35. Right to Receive Information during the General Shareholders' Meeting
	4. In addition, during the shareholder presentation period, the representative of the Company appointed by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may make an organised presentation on those questions or considerations that the shareholders have submitted to the Company through other channels of participation and such other questions as are raised by attendees at the General Shareholders' Meeting who prefer to ask their questions for delivery to the chair.
3. Those shareholders who so desire may deliver the text of their presentation to the Office of the Shareholder in order to obtain a photocopy and thus facilitate the meeting proceedings and the preparation of the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting. In any event, if anyone requests that their participation appear literally in the minutes of the meeting, they must at that time deliver it in writing to the Office of the Shareholder, which shall deliver it to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, or to the notary public, if any, in order for it to be compared with the shareholder's presentation.	3. ThoseAt the time of their accreditation, those shareholders or their proxy representatives who so desire may deliver the text of their presentation to the Office of the Shareholder in order to obtain a photocopy and thus facilitate the meeting proceedings and the preparation of the minutes of the General Shareholders' Meeting. In any event, if anyone requests that their participation appear literally in the minutes of the meeting, they must at that time deliver it in writing to. This shall be required if thee is a request for their presentation to be recorded verbatim in the minutes. In this case, the Office of the Shareholder, which shall deliver it the text to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, or to the notary public, if any, in order for it to be compared with the shareholder's presentation.
	regard in each case to the <u>principles of</u> equal treatment <u>of and non-discrimination</u> <u>among the</u> presenting shareholders <u>and</u> <u>the principle of non-discrimination</u> .

- During the presentation period, shareholders or their duly accredited proxy representatives may verbally request information or clarifications that they deem are necessary regarding the matters contained in the agenda of the call to meeting, information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Market Commission since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting, and regarding the audit report. They must have previously identified themselves for this purpose in accordance with the provisions of article 25 above.
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- 2. The directors shall be required to provide the information requested pursuant to the preceding section in the form and within the periods provided by law, except in those cases in which:
- 2. The directors shall be required to Company provide the information requested pursuant to the preceding section in the form and within the periods provided by law, except in those cases in which: as provided by section 4 of article 15 above and without prejudice to the provisions of section 5 thereof.
- a) It has been requested by shareholders representing less than twenty-five (25%) per cent of the share capital, and the chair believes that publication thereof may prejudice the corporate interest.
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- b) The request for information or clarification does not refer to matters included in the agenda of the call to meeting or to information accessible to the public that has been provided by the Company to the National Securities Market Commission since the holding of the last General Shareholders' Meeting.
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- c) The requested information or clarification is not needed to form an opinion regarding the matters submitted to the shareholders at the General
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d) Legal or regulatory provisions	d) Legal or regulatory
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3. The requested information or clarification shall be provided by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting or, if applicable and if directed by such chair, by the chair of any of the committees of the Board of Directors, by a director, or, if appropriate, by any employee of the Company, the auditor, or any other person designated by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting.	3. The requested information or elarification clarifications requested shall be provided by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting or, if applicable and if directed by such chair, by the chair of any of the committees of the Board of Directors, by a director, or, if appropriate, by any employee of the Company, the auditor, or or by any other person designated by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meetingthereby.
4. In the event that, for any reason, it is not possible to satisfy a shareholder's right to receive information during the proceedings of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the directors shall provide the requested information in writing to the interested shareholder within seven (7) days of the close of the General Shareholders' Meeting.	4. In the event that, for any reason, If it is not possible to satisfy a shareholder's right to receiverespond to the request for information, clarification or request during the proceedings of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the directors response shall provide the requested information be sent in writing to the interested shareholder within the next seven (7) days of the close of days.
	5. A violation of the right to receive information provided for in this article shall only entitle the shareholder to demand compliance with the obligation to provide information and the damages caused thereto, but shall not be grounds for challenging the General Shareholders' Meeting.
Article 29. Order of Shareholder Presentations, Requests, and Proposals	Article 29.36. Order of Shareholder Presentations, Requests, and Proposals
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end of their presentation period. During such period, the presenting shareholder may make proposals regarding any item on the agenda of the call to meeting, except in those cases in which they should have been available to the shareholder at the registered office at the time of publication of the call to meeting or the supplement to the call to meeting, if any, they are excluded by law, or they breach the rights of other shareholders. They may also propose the adoption of resolutions regarding which, pursuant to law, the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting may deliberate and decide upon without such resolutions appearing on the agenda of the call to meeting.

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- 2. In the exercise of the chair's powers to order the meeting, and without prejudice to other action that may be taken, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may:
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- a) Extend the time initially allocated to each shareholder, when the chair deems it appropriate.
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- b) Decide the order in which answers will be provided to the shareholders and whether such answers will be given following each presentation period or collectively in summarised form after the last presentation, without prejudice to the legally provided possibility of sending the information in writing within a period of seven (7) days following the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- b) Decide the order in which answers will be provided to the shareholders and whether such answers given will following each presentation period or collectively and, if appropriate, in summarised form after the last presentation, without prejudice to the legally provided possibility of sending the information in writing within a period of seven (7) days following the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- c) End the shareholder presentation
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- d) Request the presenting parties to clarify issues that have not been understood that or have not been sufficiently explained during the presentation.
- e) Call the presenting shareholders to order so that they limit their presentation to business properly before the General Shareholders' Meeting and refrain from making improper statements or exercising their right of presentation in an abusive or obstructionist manner.
- f) Announce to the presenting parties that the time for their presentations will soon be ending so that they may adjust their use of the floor and, when the time granted for their presentation has ended, or if they persist in the conduct described in the preceding sub-section, withdraw the floor from them, and, if the chair believes that their presentation might alter the proper order and normal conduct of the meeting, ask them to leave the premises and adopt any appropriate measures in order for this provision to be complied with.
- g) Deny the floor when the chair believes that a particular matter has been sufficiently debated, is not included in the agenda, or hinders the progress of the meeting, as well as reject a reply of the presenting shareholder.
- 3. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall endeavour to maintain order in the room in order to allow the presenting parties to make their presentations without undue interruption.

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- 3. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall endeavour to maintain order in the room in order to allow the presenting parties to make their presentations without undue interruption. If the chair believes that the presentation or the conduct of an attendee might alter

the proper order and normal conduct of the meeting, the chair may ask them to leave the premises and adopt any appropriate measures in order for this provision to be complied with.

the The of4 chair General Shareholders' Meeting shall have the broadest powers to allow, apply the legally appropriate procedures to, or reject the proposals made by the shareholders during their presentation on any matter included in the agenda of the call to meeting or on those matters that may be debated and decided at the General Shareholders' Meeting without such matters appearing on the agenda for the meeting, in light of compliance in each case with requirements of applicable laws regulations. In voting on the proposals allowed pursuant to this section (both on items included in the agenda and on items not appearing thereon), the procedure established in letter b) of article 34.2 of these Regulations shall apply, without prejudice to the chair's ability to decide on the use of other procedures or alternative voting systems.

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Article 30. Establishment, if Appropriate, of a Final Quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting

Article 30. Establishment, if Appropriate, of a Final Quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting 37. Temporary Suspension

1. At the end of the presentations, if the information previously provided was provisional, the list of attendees shall be closed and the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, or the secretary by delegation therefrom, shall read the final information contained in the list of attendees, detailing the number of

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- 2. Once this information has been publicly announced, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall, if appropriate, declare the existence of a proper and sufficient quorum on first or second call, as the case may be, and shall decide if the shareholders can debate and adopt resolutions regarding all matters contained in the agenda or if, on the contrary, debate must be limited to only some of them, based on attendance at the General Shareholders' Meeting in accordance with the list of attendees.
- 2. Once this information has been publicly announced, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall, if appropriate, declare the existence of a proper and sufficient quorum on first or second call, as the case may be, and shall decide if the shareholders can debate and adopt resolutions regarding all matters contained in the agenda or if, on the contrary, debate must be limited to only some of them, based on attendance at the General Shareholders' Meeting in accordance with the list of attendees.
- Once the establishment of a quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting has been declared, and a notary public is in attendance in order to prepare the notarial minutes of the meeting, the attending shareholders may state to the notary public any reservation or objection they may have regarding the existence of a valid quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting or regarding the information from the list of attendees that was previously read aloud, in order to duly record such reservation or objection in the minutes
- 3. Once the establishment of a quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting has been declared, and a notary public is in attendance in order to prepare the notarial minutes of the meeting, the attending shareholders may state to the notary public any reservation or objection they may have regarding the existence of a valid quorum for the General Shareholders' Meeting or regarding the information from the list of attendees that was previously read aloud, in order to duly record such reservation or objection in the minutes.

Article 31. Temporary Suspension

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1. In exceptional cases, when there are incidents that temporarily prevent the normal progress of the meeting, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may

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resolve to suspend the session for the time the chair deems appropriate in order to reestablish the conditions needed for the continuation thereof. The chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting may adopt such additional measures as the chair deems appropriate to ensure the safety of those present and to avoid the repetition of circumstances that might again affect the proper conduct of the meeting.

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2. Once the meeting has resumed, if the situation that gave rise to the suspension persists, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall consult with the Presiding Committee in order for the shareholders to approve a continuation of the meeting on the next day. In the event the continuation is not approved for any reason, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall immediately adjourn the meeting.

2. Once the meeting has resumed, if the situation that gave rise to the suspension persists, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall consult with the Presiding Committee in order for the shareholders to approve a continuation of the meeting on the next day. In the event the continuation is not approved for any reason, the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall immediately adjourn the meeting.

Article 32. Continuation

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Provided there is good reason for doing so, the shareholders acting at the General Shareholders' Meeting may approve a continuation of the meeting over one or more consecutive days, at the proposal of the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, of the majority of the directors attending the meeting, or at the request of a number of shareholders representing at least one-fourth (1/4) of the share capital present. Regardless of the of sessions, the number Shareholders' Meeting shall be deemed to be a single meeting, and a single set of minutes shall be prepared for all of the sessions

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- Once the continuation of the General Shareholders' Meeting has been approved, there shall be no need to repeat compliance with the provisions of law or the By-Laws in subsequent sessions for them to be validly held. Without prejudice to the provisions of article 35.3, if any shareholder included in the list of attendees prepared at the beginning of the meeting does not thereafter attend the meetings, subsequent the majorities needed to adopt resolutions shall continue to be those determined based on the results of such list
- Once the continuation of General Shareholders' Meeting has been approved, there shall be no need to repeat compliance with the provisions of law or the **By-Laws**Corporate Governance System in subsequent sessions for them to be validly held. Without prejudice to the provisions of article 35.3, if any shareholder included in the list of attendees prepared at the beginning of the meeting does not thereafter attend the subsequent meetings, the majorities The quorum needed to adopt resolutions shall continue to be those determined based on the results of such list the initial list of attendees, even if one or more of the shareholders included therein do not attend subsequent meetings, without prejudice to the provisions of article 41.3.

TITLE VI. VOTING AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

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Article 33. Absentee Voting; Powers to Engage in Proxy-Granting and Absentee Voting

- Article 33.39. Absentee Voting; Powers to Engage in Proxy-Granting and Absentee Voting
- 1. Shareholders may cast their vote regarding proposals relating to the items included in the agenda of the call to meeting by means of postal or electronic correspondence or any other means of long-distance communication, provided that the identity of the person and the security of the electronic communications are assured. In all such cases, they shall be deemed to be present for purposes of the establishment of a quorum at the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- Shareholders may cast their vote regarding proposals relating to the items included in the agenda of the call to meeting by means of postal electronic correspondence or any other means of long-distance communication, provided that the identity of the person and the security of the electronic communications are assured. In all such cases, they shall be deemed to be present for purposes the establishment of a quorum at the General Shareholders' Meeting.
- 2. In order to vote by postal correspondence, shareholders must send to
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the Company the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card issued in their favour by the corresponding entity, setting forth thereon the direction of their vote, their abstention, or their blank vote.

to the Company the attendance, proxy, and absentee voting card issued in their favour by the corresponding entity, setting forth thereon the direction of their vote, their abstention, or their blank vote, and the direction of the vote in these cases.

- 3. Votes by electronic correspondence shall be cast using a recognised electronic signature or other type of guarantee that the Board of Directors deems best ensures the authenticity and identification of the voting shareholder.
- 3. Votes by electronic correspondence shall be cast using a recognised electronic signature or using the personal passwords referred to in letter c of article 19.2 above or other type of guarantee that the Board of Directors deems best ensures the authenticity and identification of the voting shareholder.
- 4. Votes cast by any of the means set forth in the preceding sections must be received by the Company before 24:00 on the day immediately prior to the day set for the holding of the General Shareholders' Meeting upon first call or upon second call, as applicable.
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- 5. The absentee voting referred to in this article shall be rendered void:
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- a) By subsequent express revocation made by the same means used to cast the vote and within the period established for such voting.
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- b) By attendance at the meeting of the shareholder casting the vote.
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- c) If the shareholder validly grants a proxy after the date of casting the absentee vote.
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- 6. If no express instructions are included when casting the absentee vote, or instructions are included only with
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respect to some of the items on the agenda of the call to meeting, and unless expressly indicated otherwise by the shareholder, it shall be deemed that the absentee vote refers to all of the items included in the agenda of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting and that the vote is in favour of the proposals made by the Board of Directors regarding the items included in the agenda of the call to meeting with respect to which no express instructions are included.

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- 7. As regards proposed resolutions other than those submitted by the Board of Directors or regarding items not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, the shareholder casting an absentee vote may grant proxy representation through any of the means contemplated these Regulations, in which case the rules established for such purpose shall apply to the proxy, which shall be deemed granted to the chairman of the Board of Directors unless expressly indicated otherwise by the shareholder.
- 7. As regards proposed resolutions other than those submitted by the Board of Directors or regarding items not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, the shareholder casting an absentee vote may grant representation through any of the means contemplated in these Regulations, in which case the rules established for such purpose shall apply to the proxy, which shall be deemed granted to the chairman of the Board of Directors unless expressly indicated otherwise by the shareholder.
- 8. The Board of Directors is authorised to develop the appropriate rules, means, and procedures to organise the casting of votes and the grant of proxies by electronic means.
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Specifically, the Board of Directors may: (i) establish rules for the use of guarantees other than electronic signatures for casting electronic votes or the use of other valid means of long-distance communication; (ii) reduce the advance period set forth in section 4 above for receipt by the Company of absentee votes; and (iii) accept, and authorise the chair of and the

Specifically, the Board of Directors may:

(i) establish rules for the use of personal passwords and other guarantees other than electronic signatures for casting electronic votes or the use of by other valid means of long distance communication; (ii) reduce and to grant proxies by electronic correspondence. It may also the advance period set forth in

secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the persons acting by delegation therefrom to accept any absentee votes received after such period, to the extent allowed by the instruments available.

section 4 above of twenty-four hours established for receipt by the Company of absentee votes; and (iii) accept, and proxies granted by postal or electronic correspondence, and accept and authorise the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting and the persons acting by delegation therefrom to accept any absentee votes and proxies received after such period, to the extent allowed permitted by the instruments means available.

The Board of Directors is also authorised to further develop the procedures for granting proxies and for absentee voting in general, including the rules of priority and applicable conflict thereto The Shareholder's Guide and other implementing rules adopted by the Board of Directors under the provisions of this section shall be published Company's corporate website.

The Board of Directors is also authorised to further develop the procedures for granting proxies and for absentee voting in general, including the rules of priority and conflict applicable thereto. The *Shareholder's Guide* and other implementing rules adopted by the Board of Directors under the provisions of this section shall be published on the Company's corporate website.

The chairman and the secretary of the Board of Directors or the chair of and the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, from the constitution thereof, and the persons acting by delegation therefrom, shall have the broadest powers to verify the identity of the shareholders and their representatives; check legitimacy of the exercise of the rights of attendance, proxy-granting, and voting by the shareholders and their representatives; check and accept the validity effectiveness of the proxies and absentee votes, as well as the validity effectiveness of the instructions received through brokers, representatives, depositaries of shares, all in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Company's Corporate Governance System and in the rules that the Board of Directors

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depositaries of shares, all in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Company's Corporate Governance System and in the rules that the Board of Directors may establish in order to further develop such provisions.

Article 34. Voting on Proposed Resolutions

Article 34.40. Voting on Proposed Resolutions

Once the shareholder presentations have ended and responses have been given to requests for information pursuant to the provisions of these Regulations, proposed resolutions regarding matters included in the agenda of the call to meeting or which, pursuant to law, may be submitted to a vote even though not thereon, appearing including proposals made by the shareholders during the meeting that are appropriate under the law and the Company's Corporate Governance System, shall be submitted to a vote.

Once the shareholder presentations have ended and responses have been given to requests for information pursuant to the provisions of these Regulations, the proposed resolutions regarding matters included in the agenda of the call to meeting or which, and any others that pursuant to law- may be submitted to a vote even though not appearing thereon, including any proposals made by the shareholders during the meeting that are appropriate under the law and the Company's Corporate Governance System, shall be submitted to a vote.

The Board of Directors shall make separate proposals for resolutions in connection with matters that are substantially independent of one another, such that the shareholders may separately exercise their right to vote.

The Board of Directors shall make separate proposals for resolutions in matters connection with that substantially independent of one another. In any event, such that the shareholders may separately exercise their right to vote. the following must be voted on separately, even if appearing within the same item on the agenda: (i) the appointment, ratification, re-election or removal of each director, (ii) in the amendment of the By-Laws, that of each article or autonomous group of articles, and (iii) those matters for which this is provided in the Corporate Governance System.

The adoption of resolutions shall proceed following the agenda set forth in the call

The adoption of resolutions shall proceed following the agenda set forth in the call to meeting. Resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors shall be first submitted to a vote and then, if appropriate, resolutions proposed by other proponents and those relating to matters that the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting decide without can upon appearing on the agenda shall be voted, with the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting deciding upon the order in which they shall be submitted to a vote. In any event, once a proposed resolution has been adopted, all others relating to the same matter and that are incompatible therewith shall be withdrawn and therefore not be voted upon.

to meeting. Resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors shall be first submitted to a vote and then. if appropriate, resolutions proposed other proponents and those relating to matters that the shareholders at the Shareholders' Meeting General decide upon without appearing on the agenda shall be voted, with the chair of General Shareholders' Meeting deciding upon the order in which they shall be submitted to a vote. In any eventUnless the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting decides proceed otherwise, once a proposed resolution has been adopted, all others relating to the same matter and that are incompatible therewith shall withdrawn and therefore not be voted upon.

It shall not be necessary for the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting to previously read aloud the complete text of resolutions proposed by the Board of Directors if such text has already been published on the Company's corporate website since the date of publication of the announcement of the call to the General Shareholders' Meeting. In this case, the reading of a summary or excerpts may be sufficient when it is SO deemed appropriate for some or all of the proposals by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting or by the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting by delegation therefrom.

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2. As a general rule, and without prejudice to the powers of the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting to use other procedures and alternative systems, for purposes of voting on the proposed resolutions, the direction of the votes of

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the shareholders shall be determined as follows:

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- In the case of proposed resolutions relating to matters included in the agenda of the call to meeting, votes corresponding to all shares present in person and by proxy, less the votes corresponding to: shares whose holders or representatives state that they vote against, in blank, or abstain, by communicating or expressing their vote or abstention to the notary public (or, in the absence thereof, the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting) or the assistants thereto, for note thereof to be taken in the minutes; shares whose holders have voted against, in blank, or have expressly stated that they abstain through the means communication referred to in these Regulations; and shares whose holders or representatives have left the meeting prior to the voting on the proposed resolution in question and have had the notary public or assistant thereto (or, in the absence thereof, the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting) record their withdrawal from the meeting, shall be deemed to be votes in favour.
- a) In the case of proposed resolutions relating to matters included in the agenda of the call to meeting, votes corresponding to all shares present in person and by proxy, less the votes corresponding to: shares whose holders or representatives state that they vote abstain, blank, or communicating or expressing their vote or abstentionstating so for the record to the notary public or the assistants thereto (or, in the absence thereof, to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting) or the assistants thereto, for note thereof to be taken in the minutes; of the meeting, shares whose holders have voted against, in blank, or have expressly stated that they abstain through the means of communication referred to in these Regulations; and shares whose holders or representatives have left the meeting prior to the voting on the proposed resolution in question and have hadrecorded their withdrawal with the notary public or assistant assistants thereto (or, in the absence thereof, with the the secretary for General Shareholders' Meeting) record their withdrawal from the meeting, shall be deemed to be votes in favour
- b) In the case of proposed resolutions relating to matters not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, votes corresponding to all shares present in person and by proxy, less the votes corresponding to: shares whose holders or representatives state that they vote in favour, in blank, or abstain, by communicating or expressing their vote or abstention to the notary public (or, in the
- b) In the case of proposed resolutions relating to matters not included in the agenda of the call to meeting, votes corresponding to all shares present in person and by proxy, less the votes corresponding to: shares whose holders or representatives state that they vote in favour, in blank, or abstain, by communicating or expressing their vote or abstention to the notary

absence thereof, the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting) or the assistants thereto, for note thereof to be taken in the minutes; shares whose holders have voted in favour, in blank, or have expressly stated that they abstain through the means of communication referred to in these Regulations; and shares whose holders or representatives have left the meeting prior to the voting on the proposed resolution in question and have had the notary public or assistants thereto (or, in the absence thereof, the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting) record their withdrawal from the meeting, shall be deemed to be votes against.

- public (or, in the absence thereof, the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting) or the assistants thereto, for note thereof to be taken in the minutes: shares whose holders have voted in favour, in blank, or have expressly stated that they abstain through the means of communication referred to in these Regulations; and shares whose holders or representatives have left the meeting prior to the voting on the proposed resolution in question and have had the notary public or assistants thereto (or, in the absence thereof, the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting) record their withdrawal from the meeting, shall be deemed to be votes against.
- A proxy representative may hold the proxy of more than one shareholder without limitation as to the number of shareholders being represented. If a proxyholder represents several shareholders, the proxy-holder may cast votes in different directions based on the instructions given by each shareholder.
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- Furthermore, so long as it is legally admissible and the required guarantees of transparency and certainty are provided in the opinion of the Board of Directors, a vote may be divided in order for financial intermediaries who are recorded as having shareholder status but act for the account of different clients to be able to divide their votes in accordance with the instructions given by such clients.
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Article 35. Approval of Resolutions and **Announcement of Voting Results**

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1. The shareholders acting General Shareholders' Meeting shall adopt | General Shareholders'

1. The shareholders acting Meeting resolutions with the voting majorities required by law or the By-Laws. Each voting share, whether represented in person or by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting, shall grant the holder the right to one vote, without prejudice to the limitations on the maximum number of votes that may be cast by a shareholder, the conflicts of interest provided for in article 30 of the By-Laws, other instances in which the By-Laws provide for the suspension of voting rights, or the restrictions established by law

adopt resolutions with the voting majorities required by law or the By-Each voting share, whether Laws. represented in person or by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting, shall grant the holder the right to one vote. without prejudice to the limitations on the maximum number of votes that may be cast by a shareholder, the conflicts of interest provided for in article 3028 of the By-Laws, other instances in which the By-Laws provide for the suspension of voting rights, the restrictions or established by law.

- 2. The approval of resolutions shall require the favourable vote of more than one-half of the voting shares present in person or by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting. The foregoing does not apply to situations in which the law or the By-Laws require a greater majority.
- The approval of resolutions shall require the favourable vote of more than one-half of the voting shares present in person or by proxy at the General Shareholders' Meeting. The foregoing does not apply to situations Except in cases in which the law or the Bv-Laws majority, the require greater shareholders acting at a General Shareholders' Meeting shall adopt resolutions by simple majority of the shareholders present in person or by proxy, with a resolution being deemed adopted when it receives more votes in favour than against.
- 3. For purposes of determining the number of shares upon which the majority needed to adopt the various resolutions shall be calculated, all shares appearing on the list of attendees shall be deemed to be in attendance, present, and represented at the meeting, less: shares whose owners or representatives have left the meeting prior to the voting on the proposed resolution or resolutions in question and have recorded their withdrawal with the notary public or assistants thereto (or, in the absence thereof, with the secretary for the General
- 3. For purposes of determining the number of shares upon which the majority needed to adopt the various resolutions shall be calculated, all shares appearing on the list of attendees shall be deemed to be in attendance, present, andor represented at the meeting, less: shares whose owners or representatives have left the meeting prior to the voting on the proposed resolution—or resolutions in question and have recorded their withdrawal with the notary public or assistants thereto (or, in the absence

Shareholders' Meeting); and shares which, by application of the provisions of law or the By-Laws, are totally or partially deprived of the right to vote in general, or on the particular resolution in question, or shares in respect of which the exercise of the right to vote has been suspended for the holders thereof.

- thereof, with the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting); and shares which, by application of the provisions of law or the *By-Laws*, are totally or partially deprived of the right to vote in general, or on the particular resolution in question, or shares in respect of which the exercise of the right to vote has been suspended for the holders thereof.
- 4. Once the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, at the time of voting, finds the existence of a sufficient number of votes in favour or against all or some of the proposed resolutions, the chair may declare them to be approved or rejected by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting, without prejudice to the statements that the shareholders may desire to make to the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting or to the notary public, if any, regarding the direction of their vote for recording in the minutes of the meeting.
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- 5. Without prejudice to the provisions of the preceding section, for each resolution submitted to a vote at the General Shareholders' Meeting, there must be a determination of at least the number of shares for which valid votes have been cast, the proportion of share capital represented by such votes, the total number of valid votes, the number of votes in favour and against each resolution, and the number of abstentions, if any.
- Without prejudice 5. to the provisions of the preceding section, for each resolution submitted to a vote at the General Shareholders' Meeting, there must be a determination of at least the number of shares for which valid votes have been cast, the proportion of share capital represented by such votes, the total number of valid votes cast, the number of votes in favour and against each resolution, and the number of abstentions and votes in blank, if any.

TITLE VII. CLOSURE AND MINUTES OF THE MEETING

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Article 36. Closure	Article 36.42. Closure
Once the voting on the proposed resolutions has been completed and the results have been announced by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the General Shareholders' Meeting shall end and the chair thereof shall bring the meeting to a close, adjourning the session.	Once the voting on the proposed resolutions has been completed and the results have been announced by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting, the General Shareholders' Meeting shall end and the chair thereof shall bring the meeting to a close, adjourning the session.
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Article 57. Williutes	Article 37.43. Minutes
1. The minutes of the meeting may be	1. The minutes of the meeting may
approved by the shareholders at the end of	be approved by the shareholders at the
the General Shareholders' Meeting, and	end of the General Shareholders'

- the General Shareholders' Meeting, and otherwise within a period of fifteen (15) days by the chair of the General Shareholders' Meeting and two inspectors, one on behalf of the majority and the other on behalf of the minority.
- 2. Once the minutes are approved, they shall be signed by the secretary for the General Shareholders' Meeting, with the approval of the person acting as chair therein. In the event the aforementioned persons are unable to do so for any reason. they shall be replaced by the persons established by law or the By-Laws.
- In the event that a notary public takes part in the General Shareholders' deemed the Shareholders' require approval.
- Meeting, the notarial minutes shall be minutes of the General Meeting and shall not

TITLE VIII. SUBSEQUENT ACTS TITLE VIII. SUBSEQUENT ACTS

Article 38. Publication of Resolutions Article

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- 2. The text of the resolutions adopted by the shareholders at the General Shareholders' Meeting and the voting results shall be published in full on the Company's corporate website within five (5) days of the end of the General Shareholders' Meeting
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- 3. Furthermore, at the request of any shareholder or their representative at the General Shareholders' Meeting, the secretary of the Board of Directors shall issue a certification of the resolutions or of the minutes
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