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Bilbao, 22 May 2012

## Re: Estimated dates for the first implementation of the paid-up capital increase relating to the compensation system "Iberdrola Flexible Dividend" ("Iberdrola Dividendo Flexible")

Dear Sirs,

Pursuant to article 82 of Law 24/1988, of 28 July, on the Securities Market (*Ley 24/1988, de 28 de julio, del Mercado de Valores*) and related provisions, we hereby inform you that the following tentative timetable in relation to the first implementation of the paid-up capital increase under the system "Iberdrola Flexible Dividend" ("*Iberdrola Dividendo Flexible*"), which will be submitted to the approval of the Ordinary General Shareholders' Meeting of Iberdrola, S.A. (hereinafter, "**Iberdrola**" or the "**Company**") to be held on 22 or 23 of next June on first and second call, respectively, under the sixth item on the agenda, has been communicated at the meeting of the Executive Committee of Iberdrola held today:

- (i) 2 July 2012: notice of significant event regarding the number of free allocation rights required to receive one share and the guaranteed fixed price of the purchase commitment of free allocation rights that Iberdrola would assume.
- (ii) 3 July 2012: publication of the announcement of the first implementation of the capital increase on the Official Gazette of the Commercial Registry (*Boletín Oficial del Registro Mercantil*).
- (iii) 3 July 2012 (23:59 CET): record date for the assignment of free allocation rights.
- (iv) 4 July 2012: commencement of the trading period of the free allocation rights and of the period to request the compensation in cash under the purchase commitment that Iberdrola would assume.
- (v) 12 July 2012: end of the period to request the compensation in cash under the purchase commitment that Iberdrola would assume.
- (vi) 18 July 2012: end of the trading period of the free allocation rights. Acquisition by Iberdrola of the free allocation rights to shareholders who would have elected to receive cash under the purchase commitment that Iberdrola would assume.

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- (vii) 23 July 2012: payment of the price of the free allocation rights acquired by Iberdrola under the purchase commitment that Iberdrola would assume <sup>1</sup>.
- (viii) 25 July 2012: assignment of the registry-references regarding the shares to be issued under the first implementation of the capital increase.
  - (ix) 27 July 2012: expected commencement of trading of the shares of Iberdrola to be issued under the first implementation of the capital increase.

The dates mentioned above are preliminary and based on mere estimations of the tentative timetable on which Iberdrola, under the current circumstances, would carry out the first implementation of the capital increase, if it is approved by the General Shareholders' Meeting. As in previous years, the definitive calendar of the first implementation of the capital increase will be communicated to the market, as appropriate, when it is approved by the Board of Directors of Iberdrola or its delegate bodies.

Regarding the second implementation of this paid-up capital increase, if it is approved by the General Shareholders' Meeting, and as well as in fiscal years 2010 and 2011, the timetable will be communicated to the market, as appropriate, when it is approved by the Board of Directors of Iberdrola or its delegate bodies.

Please be advised of all of the foregoing for such purposes as may be appropriate.

Yours truly,

General secretary and secretary of the Board of Directors

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The estimated date for the payment of the price of the free allocation rights acquired by Iberdrola under the purchase commitment that Iberdrola would assume may present peculiarities for holders of ADRs (in the United States of America) and CDIs (in the United Kingdom).

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