

**Nippon Group's corporate approvals**

**USINAS SIDERÚRGICAS DE MINAS GERAIS S.A. - USIMINAS**

CNPJ/MF 60.894.730/0001-05

NIRE 313.000.1360-0

Publicly Traded Company

**MATERIAL FACT**

**Usinas Siderúrgicas de Minas Gerais S.A. – USIMINAS** (“Usiminas” or “Company”), according to CVM Instruction Nr. 358/02, hereby informs the market and the public in general that on December 6th, it was brought to the Company’s knowledge by means of a Press Release disclosed by Ternium S.A.’s Investors Relation Officer the following information:

“Luxembourg, December 6, 2011 – Ternium S.A. (NYSE: TX) reports the receipt of notice that Nippon Steel Corporation and all the other entities forming Nippon Group have obtained all requisite corporate approvals with respect to all the transactions and agreements relating to the previously announced purchases of ordinary shares of Usiminas by Ternium, Siderar and TenarisConfab.”

The final closing of the mentioned transactions is expected for mid January 2012, as disclosed in the Material Fact dated as of November 28th, 2011. Finally, Usiminas reinforces its commitment to keep the market duly informed of possible new information that comes to its knowledge regarding the facts mentioned in this Material Fact.

Belo Horizonte, December 7th, 2011

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