

Votorantim / VBC Energia'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 it has received, today, a letter from Votorantim Industrial S.A. e VBC Energia S.A., as following:

(FREE TRANSLATION)

“The signatories, reporting to the notice sent on September 27th, 2011, hereby inform that were obtained by the remaining shareholders of Usiminas' Shareholders Agreement all corporate approvals necessary to the sale of the totality of common shares held by the signatories subject to the Shareholders Agreement ('Shares'), including the waiver to the right of first refusal for acquisition of the Shares.”

The final closing of the mentioned transactions remains 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 13th, 2011

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