

**Nippon Steel Corporation announces the acquisition of common shares
issued by Usiminas**

USINAS SIDERÚRGICAS DE MINAS GERAIS S/A – USIMINAS
CNPJ/MF 60.894.730/0001-05
NIRE 313.000.1360-0
Publicly Traded Company

ANNOUNCEMENT

Usinas Siderúrgicas de Minas Gerais S/A – USIMINAS (Bovespa: USIM3, USIM5, USIM6; OTC: USNZY; Latibex: XUSI, XUSIO) announces, pursuant to CVM Instruction no. 358/01, amended by CVM Instructions 369 of 2002 and 449 of 2007, that it received, on June 4, 2009, the following information sent by Nippon Steel Corporation:

"Nippon Steel Corporation ('NSC'), pursuant to CVM Instruction number 358/01, amended by CVM Instructions 369 of 2002 and 449 of 2007, informs that, on this date, (i) it signed a contract with Banco Morgan Stanley S.A. ('Morgan Stanley'), where Morgan Stanley will acquire, according to certain terms and conditions, up to 2,520,000 (two million, five hundred and twenty thousand) common shares issued by Usinas Siderúrgicas de Minas Gerais S.A. – USIMINAS ("Company"), representing approximately 1% of its common shares, and approximately 0.50% of the Company's total capital, to the only effect of transferring such shares to NSC; (ii) after this acquisition is concluded, subject to certain conditions, NSC has the intention to acquire additional common shares issued by the Company; (iii) this acquisition will not impact the Company's current control group; and (iv) the acquisition will follow the terms of Law 6.404/76 and the rules and regulations issued by Brazil's Securities and Exchange Commission – CVM."

Belo Horizonte, June 05, 2009.

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