

LOAN AGREEMENT

Dated as December 20, 2001

Between

TERMOBAHIA LTDA.,
as Company

and

A & A ELECTRICITY INVESTMENT (JERSEY) LIMITED,
as Lender

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This LOAN AGREEMENT (this "Loan Agreement"), dated as of December 20, 2001, is entered into between TERMOBAHIA LTDA, a limited liability company with its registered office at Rodovia Ba. 523, Km 3,5, in the city of Mataripe, State of Bahia and enrolled with the Corporate Taxpayers Registry of the Ministry of Finance (CNPJ/MF) under No. 02.707.630/0001-26, with its constitutional documents duly registered with the Board of Trade of the State of Bahia (Third Amendment registered under No. 96312997, on June 17, 2001) ("Company") and A & A ELECTRICITY INVESTMENT (JERSEY) LIMITED, an investment holding company incorporated as a limited company under the laws of the Channel Islands with its registered office at P.O. Box 641, No. 1 Seaton Place, St. Helier, Jersey JE 48YJ, Channel Islands ("EIC" or the "Lender") (each, a "Party" and collectively, the "Parties").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Company desires to develop, finance, construct and own an approximately 190 MW gas-fired combined cycle power plant and certain ancillary equipment (the "Project") located in the municipality of São Francisco do Conde, District of Mataripe, State of Bahia, Federative Republic of Brazil;

WHEREAS, the Company entered into an Engineering, Procurement and Construction Contract dated as of July 7, 2000 with ABB Alstom Power Brasil Ltda. (the "Onshore Contractor") and ABB Alstom Power (Switzerland) Ltd. (the "Offshore Contractor", and together with the Onshore Contractor, the "Contractors") (such agreement, as amended from time to time, the "EPC Contract") for the engineering, procurement and construction of the Project on a lump-sum, fixed price, turnkey basis;

WHEREAS, ABB Equity Ventures B.V. (formerly ABB Energy Ventures B.V.) and EIC entered into the "Quota Sale Agreement" dated as of June 28, 2000 whereby ABB-EV sold a portion of its ownership interest in the Company to EIC and EIC agreed to (i) reimburse ABB-EV for certain capital contributions made by ABB-EV to the Company and (ii) become the lender of record to the Company in respect of amounts originally loaned by ABB-EV to the Company and reimbursed by EIC to ABB-EV (which amount is the Loan Facility described below) as contemplated by the credit rights set forth in the ROF;

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to enter into this Loan Agreement in order to reflect the amounts owed by the Company to EIC pursuant to the foregoing recital, all in connection with the financing to be obtained from the Inter-American Development Bank ("IDB") pursuant to the Loan Agreement dated December 20, 2001, between the Company and IDB (the "IDB Loan Agreement");

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth in this Loan Agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

SECTION 1

DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

Section 1.1 Definitions. Unless otherwise defined herein, all capitalized terms, when used herein or in any Exhibit, shall have the following meanings:

"ABB-EV" means ABB Equity Ventures B.V., a company registered under the laws of The Netherlands with its registered office at Burg Haspelslaan 45, 5F, 1181 NB Amstelveen, The Netherlands.

"Accounting Principles" means generally accepted accounting principles in both Brazil and the United States of America, applied on a consistent basis.

"Assignee" has the meaning set forth in Section 12.1.

"Business Day" means every day of the week except for (i) Saturdays and Sundays and (ii) bank holidays in the Channel Islands or Brazil.

"Company" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"Contractors" has the meaning set forth in the recitals hereto.

"Dollars" and "US\$" means the lawful currency of the United States of America.

"Effective Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 1A.

"EIC" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"Energy Conversion Contract" means the Energy Conversion Contract dated as of June 28, 2000 between the PETROBRAS and the Company.

"EPC Contract" has the meaning set forth in the recitals hereto.

"Equity Retention and Contribution Agreement" has the meaning given such term in the IDB Loan Agreement.

"Event of Default" means each of the events described as such in Section 11.1.

"Final Maturity Date" means the date on which the final installment of principal with respect to the Loans is scheduled to be repaid pursuant to Exhibit 3.

"Financing Documents" has the meaning given such term in the IDB Loan Agreement.

"First Repayment Date" has the meaning given such term in the IDB Loan Agreement.

"IDB" has the meaning set forth in the recitals hereto.

"IDB Loan Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the recitals hereto.

"IGPM" means a general index price of the market, as issued by Fundação Getúlio Vargas, or if the aforementioned ceases to exist, then a replacement index as agreed to by the Parties.

"Initial Principal Payment Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.1.

"Installments" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.1.

"Lender" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"Loan" means the aggregate principal amount of advances for the time being outstanding hereunder.

"Loan Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"Loan Facility" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.

"Party" and "Parties" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"Payment Date" means an Interest Payment Date (as such term is defined in the IDB Loan Agreement); provided, however, that if any Payment Date would fall after the Final Maturity Date, such Payment Date shall fall instead on the Final Maturity Date.

"PETROBRAS" means PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A. – PETROBRAS, a mixed capital company with head offices at Av. República do Chile 65, in the city of Rio de Janeiro, State of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, enrolled with the Brazilian Taxpayers Roll of the Ministry of Finance (CNPJ/MF) under No. 33.000.167/0001-01.

"Potential Event of Default" means any event which would, in the reasonable opinion of the Lender, be likely to become (with the passage of time, the giving of notice, the making of any reasonable determination hereunder or any combination thereof) an Event of Default.

"Project" has the meaning set forth in the recitals hereto.

"Project Agreements" means the Energy Conversion Contract, the EPC Contract and each other contract executed by the Company in connection with the design, engineering, procurement, construction, operation, maintenance, ownership or financing of the Project.

"Project Completion Date" has the meaning given such term in the IDB Loan Agreement.

"Real" and "Reais" and "R\$" means the lawful currency of Brazil.

"Subordination Agreement" has the meaning given such term in the IDB Loan Agreement.

Section 1.2 Interpretation. In this Loan Agreement:

- (a) headings to Sections are given for convenience only and shall not affect interpretation hereof;
- (b) words expressed in the singular number shall include the plural and vice versa; and the word "person" shall include corporate entities, unincorporated associations and partnerships;
- (c) the Exhibits to this Loan Agreement shall be an integral part hereof;
- (d) a reference to this Amended and Restated Agreement shall include any amendment or supplement hereto, or replacement, novation or modification hereof, but shall disregard any amendment, supplement, replacement, novation or modification made in breach hereof;
- (e) references to any statute, code or statutory provision are to be construed as a reference to the same as it may have been, or may from time to time be, amended, modified or re-enacted, and include references to all bylaws, instruments, orders and regulations for the time being made thereunder or deriving validity therefrom unless the context otherwise requires;
- (f) in the event of any conflict between this Loan Agreement and the Subordination Agreement, the terms and conditions of the Subordination Agreement shall govern; and
- (g) Capitalized terms used herein but not defined shall have the meaning assigned thereto in the IDB Loan Agreement.

SECTION 1A

CONDITION PRECEDENT

Section 1A.1 Condition Precedent. This Loan Agreement shall become effective following the First Disbursement Date under (and as defined in) the IDB Loan Agreement (the "Effective Date").

SECTION 2

THE LOAN FACILITY

Section 2.1 Grant of the Loan. The Lender grants to the Company, upon the terms and subject to the conditions hereof, a loan facility in an aggregate amount of US\$1,346,262 ("Loan Facility").

Section 2.2 Purposes and Application. The Loan Facility is intended to partially finance payments under the EPC Contract and other Project-related costs. Accordingly,

the Company has applied all amounts borrowed by it hereunder exclusively in or towards satisfaction of such purposes.

SECTION 3

INTENTIONALLY OMITTED

SECTION 4

INTEREST AND FEES

Section 4.1 Calculation of Interest. Interest on the Loan is calculated on the basis of the actual number of days on which interest has accrued and a 365 day year.

Section 4.2 Interest Rate. The rate of interest applicable to the Loan shall be 18.79% per annum, calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in the Leveraged Base Case (as defined in the IDB Loan Agreement).

Section 4.3 Payment of Interest. (a) From the Effective Date to the Initial Principal Payment Date, interest on the Loan shall accrue and be capitalized monthly in accordance with Section 4.4.

(b) Upon the occurrence of the Initial Principal Payment Date, the Company shall pay the interest on the Loans in arrears, beginning on such Initial Principal Payment Date and continuing on each subsequent Payment Date. On the Final Maturity Date, all accrued interest (whether or not capitalized) shall be paid by the Company to the Lender.

Section 4.4 Capitalization of Interest. In accordance with Section 4.3, from the Effective Date to the Initial Principal Payment Date all accrued interest on the Loan shall be capitalized monthly on the applicable Payment Date and the amount thereof added to the outstanding principal amount of the Loan. Lender shall deliver to the Company, at least three Business Days prior to each Payment Date prior to the Initial Principal Payment Date, a certificate stating the aggregate amount of interest on the Loan which shall be capitalized.

Section 4.4A Interest under ROF Loan Document. All interest payable to the Lender under the existing ROF (as defined in Section 9.3) on or prior to the Effective Date has been paid. All interest accrued but not yet payable to the Lender under the existing ROF shall be deemed capitalized and added to the outstanding principal amount of the Loan.

SECTION 5

REPAYMENT

Section 5.1 Repayment.

(a) Commencing on the First Repayment Date to occur after the Project Completion Date (such date, the "Initial Principal Payment Date"), and on each subsequent

Payment Date, the Company hereby promises to repay the Loan to the Lender in 237 installments (the "Installments"), as more specifically set forth in Exhibit 3 (which Exhibit may be revised from time to time with the consent of the Lender and the Company); provided, however, that the amount of the final Installment shall in any event be equal to the remaining unpaid principal amount of the Loan.

Section 5.2 Conditions to Payment. Payments made by the Company to the Lender pursuant to this Loan Agreement shall be subject to the conditions required therefore in the IDB Loan Agreement, the Equity Retention and Contribution Agreement and the Subordination Agreement.

SECTION 6

PREPAYMENT

Section 6.1 Prepayment. (a) The Company may, by giving the Lender not less than 15 Business Days' prior notice to that effect, prepay on any Payment Date the whole or any part of the Loan; provided, however, that (i) any notice of prepayment given by the Company shall be irrevocable, shall specify the date upon which such prepayment is to be made and the amount of such prepayment and (ii) prepayments of the Loan shall be applied in inverse order of maturity.

(b) Any prepayment made by the Company shall be made together with all accrued but unpaid interest on amounts prepaid and all other amounts then due from the Company hereunder.

(c) The first disbursement under the IDB Loan Agreement shall be used to prepay an amount such that the amount outstanding hereunder is US\$1,346,262.

(d) If upon the final disbursement under the IDB Loan Agreement the Debt to Equity Ratio (as defined in the IDB Loan Agreement) is less than 75:25, the Company shall pay to the Lender an amount equal to the difference between (i) the amount of Capital Contributions (as defined in the Equity Retention and Contribution Agreement) the Lender actually contributed to the Company and (ii) the amount of Capital Contributions the Lender should have contributed to the Company (determined by multiplying (a) the aggregate amount of Equity needed to be contributed to the Company in order to achieve a Debt to Equity Ratio of 75:25 by (b) the Lender's Economic Ownership Interest (as defined in the Equity Retention and Contribution Agreement) in the Company).

(e) Prepaid amounts may not be reborrowed.

(f) In the event the Company receives the Early Termination Price under (and defined in) the Energy Conversion Contract, the Company shall promptly pay to the Lender the amount required thereunder.

Section 6.2 Restrictions on Prepayment. The Company shall not make any prepayment under Section 6.1(a) if such prepayment would cause a default by the Company

under any of its Project Agreements, including the EPC Contract, or cause the Company to have insufficient funds to complete the Project.

SECTION 7

PAYMENTS BY THE COMPANY

Section 7.1 General. Payments by the Company hereunder to the Lender shall be made in Dollars, for value on the due date, at such bank or banks, during business hours and in such place or places, for the account of the Lender, as the Lender shall from time to time designate.

Section 7.2 No Set-Off. All payments required to be made by the Company hereunder shall be calculated without reference to any set-off or counterclaim and shall be made free and clear of and without any deduction for or on account of any set-off or counterclaim.

Section 7.3 Currency of Account and Payment. The Dollar is the currency of account and payment for each and every sum at any time due from the Company hereunder.

SECTION 8

LATE PAYMENT

Without prejudice to the remedies available to the Lender under this Loan Agreement or otherwise, if the Company fails to make any payment of principal or interest or any other payment on or before the due date as specified in this Loan Agreement, the Company shall pay, in Dollars, in respect of such amount due and unpaid, a late payment charge of 12% per annum. However, if there is a shortfall in the amount received by the Lender because of a devaluation of Reais against Dollars, the late payment charge described herein shall not be applicable.

SECTION 9

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Section 9.1 Representations and Warranties. The Company hereby makes the representations and warranties set out in paragraphs (a) to (d) of this Section 9.1 as of the date hereof and on each Payment Date.

(a) Status. The Company is a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of Brazil.

(b) Due authorization. The Company has power to enter into this Loan Agreement and each Project Agreement and to exercise its rights and perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder and all corporate and other action required to authorize its execution of this Loan Agreement and (when executed and delivered) each

Project Agreement and its performance of its obligations hereunder and thereunder has been duly taken.

(c) Binding obligations. The obligations expressed to be assumed by the Company in this Loan Agreement and (when executed and delivered) each Project Agreement are legal and valid obligations binding on it in accordance with the terms hereof and thereof.

(d) No Winding-Up. The Company has not taken any corporate action nor have any steps been taken or legal proceedings been started or (to the best of the Company's knowledge and belief) threatened against the Company for its winding-up, dissolution, administration or re-organisation or for the appointment of a receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, trustee or similar officer of it or of any or all of its assets and revenues.

Section 9.2 Reliance. The Company hereby acknowledges that:

- (a) the Lender is entering into this Loan Agreement; and
- (b) any Assignee is taking an assignment pursuant to Section 12,

in reliance on the representations and warranties contained in Section 9.1 above.

Section 9.3 Governmental Authorizations. The Company hereby acknowledges that all authorizations and other actions by or with any governmental authority necessary to authorize the borrowings hereunder or required for the validity of enforceability against the Company of this Loan Agreement have been obtained or performed and are valid and existing in full force, except:

- (i) for the amendment of the existing Register of Financial Transaction ("ROF") authorizing payments of principal, interest, commission, fees and other expenses pursuant to the terms and conditions hereof;
- (ii) for the making of payments of principal, interest, commission, fees and other expenses prior to the due date contemplated therefore pursuant to the terms and conditions hereof;
- (iii) for the making of payments of principal, interest, commission, fees and other expenses more than 120 days following the due date contemplated therefore pursuant to the terms and conditions hereof; and
- (iv) the registration of the relevant schedule of payments under the ROF.

SECTION 10

COVENANTS

Section 10.1 Positive Covenants.

(a) Project. The Company shall (i) carry out the Project and conduct its business with due diligence and efficiency and in accordance with sound engineering, financial and business practices and (ii) diligently enforce its rights under each Project Agreement and any agreement to which it is a party and/or of which it is a beneficiary regarding the implementation of the Project and operation of its business.

(b) Accounting Records. The Company shall maintain books of account and other records adequate to reflect truly and fairly the financial condition of the Company and the results of its operations (including the progress of the Project) in conformity with the Accounting Principles.

(c) Auditors. The Company shall appoint and maintain at all times a firm of independent public accountants acceptable to the Lender as auditors to the Company.

(d) Direct Communications with Auditors. The Company shall authorise its auditors (whose fees and expenses shall be for the account of the Company) to communicate directly with the Lender at any time regarding the Company's accounts and operations, and furnish to the Lender a copy of such authorisation.

(e) Licences and Approvals. The Company shall obtain and maintain in force (or where appropriate, promptly renew) all licenses, approvals or consents necessary for the carrying out of the Project and the Company's business and operations generally and perform and observe all the conditions and restrictions contained in, or imposed on the Company by, any such licenses, approvals or consents.

(f) Environmental Issues. The Company shall comply with all applicable environmental laws and maintain and comply with all applicable environmental permits in relation to the Project and the Company shall promptly notify the Lender of any environmental claim, complaint, notice or order made against or issued to the Company in relation to the Project.

(g) Insurances. The Company shall maintain insurances on and in relation to the Project as are required pursuant to the Project Agreements.

(h) Events of Default and Potential Events of Default. The Company shall promptly inform the Lender of the occurrence of any Event of Default or Potential Event of Default of which it is aware (having made all due inquiries) and, upon receipt of a written request to that effect from the Lender, confirm to the Lender that, save as previously notified to the Lender or as notified in such confirmation, no Event of Default or (to the best of its knowledge, having made all due inquiries) no Potential Event of Default has occurred.

(i) Ranking with Other Creditors. The Company shall ensure that at all times the claims of the Lender against it under this Loan Agreement are subordinated to the obligations of the Company under the Financing Documents, pursuant to the Subordination Agreement. Regarding creditors other than IDB, the Company shall ensure that at all times the claims of the Lender against it under this Loan Agreement rank at least *pari passu* with the claims of all its other unsecured creditors, save those whose claims are preferred by any bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation or other similar laws of general application.

(j) Implementation of the Project. The Company shall ensure that the Project is implemented in accordance with the Project Agreements, all applicable laws and regulations and governmental or other authorisations, licences or permits and otherwise in accordance with reasonable and prudent industry practice.

(k) Information. The Company shall:

(i) within 60 Business Days of the end of each of its financial quarters, deliver to the Lender an up-dated report as to each of the Project Agreements; and

(ii) upon the reasonable request of the Lender, provide the Lender with any further information or documents relating to the Project.

(l) Litigation. The Company shall promptly notify the Lender of the details of any litigation, arbitration or administrative proceeding issued, pending or (to the best of the Company's knowledge and belief) threatened against the Company.

Section 10.2 Negative Covenants.

(a) Loans. The Company shall not:

(i) make any loans;

(ii) grant any credit (save in the ordinary course of its business) to or for the benefit of any person; or

(iii) voluntarily assume any liability, whether actual or contingent, in respect of any obligation of any other person,

other than credits or liabilities under (i) or (ii) which are made in the ordinary course of its business and whose value in aggregate does not exceed 50,000 Reais (adjusted annually by IGPM).

(b) Activities outside the Project Agreements. The Company shall not engage in any business or activity or incur any liability other than pursuant to or in connection with the Project Agreements nor hold itself out as having the power or authority to engage in any such business or activity or to incur any such liability.

(c) Agreements outside the Project Agreements. The Company shall not enter into any agreement, instrument or arrangement whatsoever otherwise than pursuant to or in connection with the Project Agreements.

(d) Management Contracts and Profit-Sharing Arrangements. The Company shall not:

(i) enter into any partnership, profit-sharing or royalty agreement or other similar arrangement whereby the Company's income or profits are, or might be, shared with any other person, except as may be required by law; or

(ii) enter into any management contract or similar arrangement whereby its business or operations are managed by any other person other than PETROBRAS (or any affiliate of PETROBRAS that PETROBRAS is permitted to designate) in its role as Facility Operator under the Energy Conversion Contract.

(e) Changes to Articles of Association. The Company shall not change its Articles of Association in any manner which would be inconsistent with the provisions of any Project Agreement.

(f) Disposals of Assets. Except in the ordinary course of business, the Company shall not sell, transfer, lease or otherwise dispose of all or part of its assets (whether in a single transaction or in a series of transactions, related or otherwise) without the prior written consent of the Lender.

(g) Mergers. The Company shall not undertake or permit any merger, consolidation or reorganisation.

SECTION 11

EVENTS OF DEFAULT

Section 11.1 Events of Default. Each of the following, unless expressly waived in writing by the Lender, is an Event of Default:

(a) Non-payment. Default shall have occurred in the payment of any principal of, or interest on, the Loan and such default shall have continued for a period of five days; provided, however, that if the shortfall in the amount of interest and principal received is due to differences between "FX_{INV}" and "FX_{PAY}" (as defined in the Energy Conversion Contract) ("Shortfall"), there shall not be an Event of Default hereunder if the Shortfall is received by the Lender within 31 days. For the avoidance of doubt, the Shortfall shall accrue interest at the late payment rate set forth in Section 8.

(b) Other Default under this Loan Agreement. Default shall have occurred in the performance of any material obligation of the Company under this Loan Agreement (other than any obligation for the payment of principal or interest under this Loan

Agreement) and any such default shall have continued for a period of 30 days after notice thereof shall have been given to the Company by the Lender.

(c) Representations and Warranties. Any representation or warranty confirmed or made in or pursuant to Section 9.1 or in connection with any request for disbursement under this Loan Agreement shall be found to have been incorrect in any material respect.

(d) Insolvency and Rescheduling. The Company shall have requested a moratorium or suspension of payment of debts from any court, or instituted proceedings or taken action to be liquidated or adjudicated bankrupt or insolvent, or consented to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings against it, or filed a petition or answer or consent seeking a concordat or other form of composition with its creditors or reorganisation or relief under any applicable law, or consented to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Company or of any substantial part of its property or other assets, or made an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or admitted in writing its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due.

(e) Winding-Up. The Company takes any corporate action for its winding-up, dissolution, administration or re-organisation or for the appointment of a liquidator, receiver, administrator, administrative receiver, custodian, trustee or similar officer of it or of any substantial part of its revenues and assets or there shall have been entered against the Company a decree or order by a court for any of the above or any petition is filed by any person seeking any of the above and is not dismissed within 30 days.

(f) Execution or Distress. Any execution or distress is levied against, or an encumbrancer takes possession of, the whole or any substantial part of, the property, undertaking or assets of the Company.

(g) Analogous Events. Any event happens which under the laws of any jurisdiction has a similar or analogous effect to any of those events mentioned in paragraphs (d), (e) or (f) above.

(h) Licences and Approvals. Any license, approval or consent necessary for the carrying out of the Project and the Company's business and operations generally or for the performance by the Company of its obligations under this Loan Agreement is not obtained when required or otherwise ceases to be in full force and effect, including in respect of the remittance to the Lender in Dollars of any amounts payable under this Loan Agreement, and such license, approval or consent is not restored within 30 days after the Lender has given notice thereof to the Company.

(i) Invalidity of this Loan Agreement. Any provision of this Loan Agreement is or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable, and such provision has not been replaced by alternative provisions satisfactory to the Lender within a period of 30 days after the Lender has given notice thereof to the Company.

(j) Governmental Intervention. By or under the authority of any government:

(i) the management of the Company is wholly or partially displaced or the authority of the Company in the conduct of its business is wholly or partially curtailed; or

(ii) all or a majority of the issued quotas of the Company or the whole or any substantial part of its revenues or assets are seized, nationalized, expropriated or compulsorily acquired.

(k) Suspension, Revocation or Default of Project Agreements.

(i) the EPC Contract is terminated, revoked, suspended, cancelled, or invalidated or declared to be illegal by any person for any reason;

(ii) any of the other Project Agreements is terminated, revoked, suspended, cancelled, invalidated or declared to be illegal for any reason whatsoever; or

(iii) the Company is in breach of any of its material obligations under any material Project Agreement.

(l) Cross Default. An event of default shall have been declared by any lender to the Company under such lender's loan agreement.

Section 11.2 Acceleration. Subject to Section 11.3, if one or more of Events of Default shall have happened and be continuing, then the Lender may, by written notice to the Company: declare the Loan to be immediately due and payable (whereupon the same shall become so payable together with accrued interest thereon and any other sums then owed by the Company hereunder).

Section 11.3 Automatic Acceleration. Notwithstanding Section 11.2 above or any other provision of this Loan Agreement, if the Company shall have become voluntarily or involuntarily dissolved, or become bankrupt (however such bankruptcy may be evidenced), the Loan shall forthwith become immediately due and payable together with accrued interest thereon and any other sums then owed by the Company hereunder to the fullest extent permitted under the Subordination Agreement and by law, without any presentment, demand, protest or notice of any kind, all of which are hereby expressly waived by the Company.

SECTION 12

ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS BY LENDER

Section 12.1 Right of Lender. It is agreed that the Lender shall have the right to assign its rights and obligations under this Loan Agreement in respect of Loans to another person (the "Assignee"); provided, however, that the quotaholders of the Company, acting reasonably, shall first approve such assignment unless such assignment is made to a quotaholder of the

Company or a wholly owned subsidiary of EIC. The Lender shall not make any assignment of its Loan if the effect of such assignment were to impose costs on the Company in excess of the costs that would have been incurred by the Company prior to such assignment.

Section 12.2 Notice of Assignment. No assignment under Section 12.1 shall take effect until the Company has received a notice of assignment from the Lender in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 4, containing, *inter alia*, a copy of a deed of adherence in the form attached in Exhibit 5 by which the Assignee undertakes to perform all the obligations of the Lender under this Loan Agreement.

Section 12.3 Effect of Assignment. Upon any assignment under this Section 12 becoming effective:

(a) the Lender shall cease to have any obligations in respect of the Loan assumed by the Assignee; and

(b) the Assignee shall assume all of the rights, duties and obligations of the Lender under this Loan Agreement with respect to the Loan assigned to it.

SECTION 13

PLURALITY OF LENDERS

Section 13.1 Obligations Several. Following an assignment under Section 12, the obligations of the Lender and the Assignee hereunder are several and the failure by one to perform its obligations hereunder shall not relieve the other of its obligations hereunder nor shall it affect the obligations of the Company towards the other, and neither the Lender nor the Assignee shall be liable for the failure of the other to perform its obligations hereunder.

Section 13.2 Distribution between Lenders.

(a) Payments by the Company hereunder shall be made directly to the Lender and the Assignee in the amount due to it out of such payment, as advised to the Company by the Lender and the Assignee in accordance with Section 14.

(b) In the event that, on any payment date, the Company pays less than the amounts due on such date, the monies paid by the Company shall be apportioned among the Lender and the Assignee *pro rata*.

Section 13.3 Redistribution of Payments between Lenders. Following an assignment under Section 12, if at any time the proportion which the Lender or the Assignee hereunder has received or recovered in respect of its portion of any payment by the Company hereunder is in excess of the amount to which it is entitled pursuant to the provisions of Section 13.2 above, it shall forthwith transfer such excess to the Lender or the Assignee, as applicable. Upon such transfer, such Lender or Assignee, as the case may be, shall provide to the Company a certificate stating that it has received the amount to which it was entitled.

SECTION 14

NOTICES

Section 14.1 Addresses. Any notice or correspondence to be sent hereunder shall be sent in the Portuguese language and be either (i) delivered personally, (ii) sent by registered mail or (iii) sent by fax. The addresses for service of notice shall be the following or such other address as one Party may notify to the other in accordance with this Section 14:

To the Company: Termobahia Ltda.

Address: Rodovia Ba. 523, Km 3,5
Mataripe, São Francisco do Conde
Bahia, Brazil
CEP 43, 970-000

Attention: President
Facsimile: 011-55-71-605-8020

With copy to: ABB EQUITY VENTURES, INC.
202 Carnegie Center
Suite 100
Princeton, NJ 08540

Attention: Vice President of Portfolio Management
Facsimile: 609-243-9174

With copy to: PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A. – PETROBRAS
Av. República do Chile 65, 7º andar
ENERGIA
CEP 20035-900
Rio de Janeiro, RJ
Brazil

Atenção: Sr. Luis Carlos Moreira da Silva
Facsimile: 011-21-2534-2052

To the Lender: A & A ELECTRICITY INVESTMENT (JERSEY)
LIMITED

Address: P.O. Box 641, No. 1 Seaton Place, St. Helier
Jersey JE 48YJ
Channel Islands

With a copy to: A&A EIC Electricity Investment Company
P.O. Box 8242
Binzmühlestrasse 14
8050 Zürich
Switzerland

Attention: CEO c/o de Pury Pictet Turrettini
Facsimile: 41 1 318 34 11

With a copy to: Inter-American Development Bank (Private Sector
Department)
1300 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20577

Attention: Manager and Loan Administration Unit
Facsimile: (202) 312-4122

Section 14.2 Timing of Notices. A notice given as herein provided shall:

(a) if delivered by hand or sent by fax, be deemed to have been received on the day of receipt or, if sent outside 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on any Business Day, at 8:30 a.m. on the next Business Day; and

(b) if sent by registered mail, be deemed to have been received 10 Business Days after the mailing thereof.

SECTION 15

TAX GROSS-UP AND INDEMNITIES BY COMPANY

Section 15.1 Tax Gross-Up.

(a) All payments to be made by the Company to the Lender hereunder shall be made free and clear of and without deduction for or on account of tax unless the Company is required to make such a payment subject to the deduction or withholding of tax, in which case the sum payable by the Company in respect of which such deduction or withholding is required to be made shall be increased to the extent necessary to ensure that, after the making of the required deduction or withholding, the Lender receives and retains (free from any liability in respect of any such deduction or withholding) a net sum equal to the sum which it would have received and so retained had no such deduction or withholding been made or required to be made; provided, however, that the Company shall have no obligation to make additional payments in respect of taxes if the Lender breaches its obligation under the final sentence of Section 12.1.

(b) If, at any time, the Company is required by law to make any deduction or withholding from any sum payable by it hereunder (or if thereafter there is any change in the

rates at which or the manner in which such deductions or withholdings are calculated), the Company shall promptly notify the Lender.

(c) If the Company makes any payment hereunder in respect of which it is required to make any deduction or withholding, it shall pay the full amount required to be deducted or withheld to the relevant taxation or other authority within the time allowed for such payment under applicable law and shall deliver to the Lender, within 20 Business Days of making such payment to the applicable authority, a certified copy of the original receipt issued by such authority evidencing the payment to such authority of all amounts so required to be deducted or withheld in respect of the Lender's share of such payment. If (i) the Lender actually receives a tax credit in the jurisdiction of its incorporation as a result of withholding taxes paid hereunder and (ii) such tax credit is readily identifiable by the Lender, the Lender shall use reasonable efforts to make the benefit of such tax credit available to the Company; provided, however, that in no event shall the obligation result in the incurrence of additional costs or expenses, or result in an adverse impact upon the Lender or its assignees.

Section 15.2 Tax Indemnity. Without prejudice to the provisions of Section 15.1 above, if the Lender is required to make any payment on account of tax (not being a tax imposed on and calculated by reference to the net income paid to and received by such Lender by the jurisdiction in which it is incorporated or where all or part of its activity is carried out) or otherwise on or in relation to any sum received or receivable hereunder by the Lender (including any sum received or receivable under this Section 15) or any liability in respect of any such payment is asserted, imposed, levied or assessed against the Lender, the Company shall, within 10 Business Days of receipt of a written demand of the Lender (or at such later time as may be specified in such demand) accompanied by supporting documentation, indemnify the Lender against such payment or liability, together with any interest, penalties, costs and expenses payable or incurred in connection therewith.

Section 15.3 Change in Law. If, as a direct result of any change after the date hereof in applicable law or regulations or in the interpretation or implementation thereof (including with respect to taxes) by any governmental or regulatory authority, the Lender incurs additional costs in making or maintaining the Loan, the Company shall, within 10 Business Days of receipt of a written demand of the Lender (or at such later time as may be specified in such demand) accompanied by supporting documentation, compensate the Lender for the amount of such additional costs.

Section 15.4 Currency Indemnity. If any sum due from the Company under this Amended and Restated Loan Agreement or any order or judgment given or made in relation hereto has to be converted from the currency (the "first currency") in which the same is payable hereunder or under such order or judgment into another currency (the "second currency") for the purpose of:

- (a) making or filing a claim or proof against the Company;
- (b) obtaining an order or judgment in any court or other tribunal; or
- (c) enforcing any order or judgment given or made in relation hereto,

the Company shall indemnify and hold harmless the Lender from and against any loss or incurred as a result of any discrepancy between (i) the rate of exchange used for such purpose to convert the sum in question from the first currency into the second currency and (ii) the rate or rates of exchange at which the Lender may in the ordinary course of business purchase the first currency with the second currency, upon receipt of a sum paid to it in satisfaction, in whole or part, of any such order, judgment, claim or proof.

SECTION 16

COSTS AND EXPENSES

Section 16.1 Taxes. The Company shall pay all taxes to which this Loan Agreement or any judgment given in connection herewith or therewith is or at any time may be subject and shall, from time to time on demand of the Lender, indemnify the Lender against any liabilities, costs, claims and expenses resulting from any failure to pay or any delay in paying any such tax; provided, however, that the Company shall have no obligation to make additional payments in respect of taxes if the Lender breaches its obligation under the final sentence of Section 12.1.

Section 16.2 Preservation and Enforcement of Rights. The Company shall from time to time on demand of the Lender reimburse the Lender for all reasonable costs and expenses (including legal fees) together with any tax thereon incurred on or in connection with the preservation and enforcement of any of the rights of the Lender under this Loan Agreement.

Section 16.3 Other Costs. The Company shall, from time to time on demand of the Lender, compensate the Lender for all reasonable costs and expenses (including telephone, fax, copying, travel but excluding personnel costs) incurred by the Lender in connection with taking such action as it may deem appropriate or in complying with any request by the Company in connection with:

- (a) the granting or proposed granting of any waiver or consent requested hereunder;
- (b) any actual, potential or suspected breach by the Company under this Loan Agreement;
- (c) the occurrence of an event which is an Event of Default or a Potential Event of Default; or
- (d) any amendment or proposed amendment to this Loan Agreement.

Section 16.4 Mitigation. Where the Lender intends to claim indemnification from the Company under Section 15 or this Section 16 or any other provision of this Loan Agreement, the Lender shall consider what steps it might reasonably take with a view to mitigating the effect of such circumstances on the Company and shall, if practicable in the reasonable opinion of the Lender, take any such steps.

SECTION 17

ASSIGNMENTS AND TRANSFERS

Section 17.1 By the Company. The Company shall not be entitled to assign or transfer all or any of its rights, benefits or obligations hereunder.

Section 17.2 By the Lender. Subject to Section 12, the Lender shall be entitled to assign or transfer all or any of its rights, benefits or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the Company.

SECTION 18

CONFIDENTIALITY

Section 18.1 Confidentiality. (a) The Company shall not disclose any information about this Loan Agreement without Lender's prior written consent. The Lender shall have the right to disclose any information about this Loan Agreement to any potential transferee of its quotas in the Company and to any financial institution, provided that a confidentiality agreement among Lender, PETROBRAS, ABB-EV and such aforementioned institution has been signed and nothing in such confidentiality agreement will result in a breach by the Parties or Termobahia of a representation or warranty regarding the completeness or accuracy of information regarding the Project. For the avoidance of doubt, confidential information shall include, without limitation, the provisions of any Project Agreement.

(b) Each Party shall procure that its employees and agents are aware of and comply with the provisions of this Section 18.

(c) The provisions of this Section 18 shall survive the termination of this Loan Agreement by two years.

SECTION 19

GOVERNING LAW

The construction, validity and performance of this Loan Agreement shall in all respects be governed by the laws of the State of New York, United States of America.

SECTION 20

ARBITRATION

Section 20.1 Arbitration Generally. If any dispute cannot be settled within 10 Business Days by mutual discussions between the Parties (or designee thereof), or is not so settled for any reason whatsoever, then such dispute shall be finally settled by reference to

arbitration by a tribunal under the rules of arbitration of UNCITRAL as are in effect on the date hereof.

Section 20.2 Selection of Arbitrators and Arbitral Award. All disputes arising under this Loan Agreement shall be finally settled under the rules of arbitration of UNCITRAL by three arbitrators. The language of the arbitration shall be English and the seat of the arbitration shall be in New York, New York. Each of the Parties shall appoint an arbitrator, and the third arbitrator shall be appointed by the first two, or if such arbitrators cannot agree on the third arbitrator, such third arbitrator shall be chosen by the UNCITRAL rules of arbitration.

Section 20.3 Enforcement of Award. By execution and delivery of this Loan Agreement, each Party hereby accepts and consents to the jurisdiction of the arbitral tribunal and, solely for purposes of the enforcement of an arbitral award under this Section 20, to the jurisdiction of any court of competent jurisdiction, for itself and in respect of its property, and waives solely for purposes of the enforcement of an arbitral award under this Section 20, in respect of both itself and its property, any defense it may have as to or based on sovereign immunity, jurisdiction, improper venue or *forum non conveniens*. Each Party hereby irrevocably consents to the service of any process or other papers by the use of any of the methods and to the addresses set out for the giving of notices in Section 14 of this Loan Agreement. Nothing herein shall affect the right of any Party to serve such process or papers in any other manner permitted by law.

Section 20.4 Performance during Arbitration. During the pendency of any arbitration, each Party shall continue to perform its obligations hereunder and no Party shall refer or attempt to refer the matter in dispute to any court or other tribunal in any jurisdiction, save as provided in this Section 20.

Section 20.5 Final and Binding. Any award made by the arbitral tribunal shall be final and binding on the Parties. To the extent applicable, the Parties expressly agree to waive the applicability of any laws and regulations which would otherwise give the right to appeal any decision of the arbitral tribunal and so that there shall be no appeal to any court of law in relation to the award of the arbitral tribunal and the Parties shall not challenge or resist the enforcement action taken by any Party in whose favor the award of the arbitral tribunal was given. The cost of any arbitration shall be borne by the Party that loses the arbitration.

SECTION 21

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 21.1 Entire Agreement. This Loan Agreement, including the exhibits hereto, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties in relation to the subject matter hereof and supersedes any or all previous agreements or arrangements, whether oral or written, between the Parties.

Section 21.2 Amendments. No amendment to this Loan Agreement shall be valid unless it is in writing and signed by a duly authorized representative of each Party. The Company shall not authorize or implement any material changes or modifications to the

Amended and Restated Loan Agreement dated as of December 20, 2001 between the Company and ABB Equity Ventures B.V. unless such changes or modifications are first offered to EIC for implementation hereunder. For purposes of this Section 21.2, "material" shall mean anything that has an economic impact or otherwise changes the risk/reward profile for EIC.

Section 21.3 Waiver. The failure with or without intent of any Party to insist upon the performance by any other Party of any term or provision of this Loan Agreement in strict conformity with the literal requirements hereof shall not be treated or deemed to constitute a modification of any term or provision hereof, nor shall such failure or election be deemed to constitute a waiver of the right of such Party at any time whatsoever thereafter to insist upon performance by the other, strictly in accordance with any term or provision hereof. All terms, conditions and obligations under this Loan Agreement shall remain in full force and effect at all times during the term of this Loan Agreement, except as otherwise changed or modified by any mutual written agreement of the Parties.

Section 21.4 [INTENTIONALLY OMMITTED]

Section 21.5 Severability. Should any provision of this Loan Agreement be declared invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction or any other entity empowered to do so, the remainder of this Loan Agreement shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law.

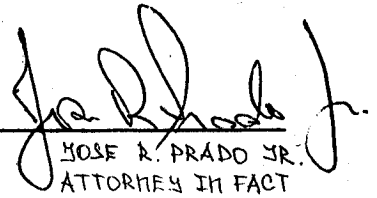
Section 21.6 Language. This Loan Agreement is written in the English language, but, if required by applicable law, shall be translated into Portuguese and signed. The English version shall be the official version for purposes of any dispute or claim. The English and Portuguese versions shall be in form and substance acceptable to both Parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Loan Agreement by their duly authorised representatives as of the day and year first above written.

TERMOBAHIA LTDA

By: 

Name: ANDREAS SPRECHER
Title: PRESIDENT


JOSE A. PRADO JR.
ATTORNEY IN FACT

A & A ELECTRICITY INVESTMENT (JERSEY)
LIMITED

By: 

Name:
Title: Director

WITNESS:

By: 

Name: Karen Green
Title:

WITNESS:

By: 

Name: Kaleb Sanchez
Title:

[Intentionally Omitted]

[Intentionally Omitted]

Amortization Schedule

EIC Repayment Installment	EIC Loan Repayment Amount (expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount of the EIC Loan)
1	0.04%
2	0.05%
3	0.05%
4	0.05%
5	0.05%
6	0.05%
7	0.05%
8	0.05%
9	0.05%
10	0.05%
11	0.05%
12	0.05%
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15	0.05%
16	0.06%
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24	0.06%
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35	0.07%
36	0.08%
37	0.08%
38	0.08%
39	0.08%
40	0.08%

EIC Repayment Installment	EIC Loan Repayment Amount (expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount of the EIC Loan)
41	0.08%
42	0.08%
43	0.08%
44	0.08%
45	0.09%
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81	0.15%
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83	0.15%
84	0.15%

EIC Repayment Installment	EIC Loan Repayment Amount (expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount of the EIC Loan)
85	0.16%
86	0.16%
87	0.16%
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89	0.17%
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123	0.28%
124	0.28%
125	0.29%
126	0.29%
127	0.29%
128	0.30%

EIC Repayment Installment	EIC Loan Repayment Amount (expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount of the EIC Loan)
129	0.30%
130	0.31%
131	0.31%
132	0.32%
133	0.32%
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167	0.54%
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169	0.55%
170	0.56%
171	0.57%
172	0.58%

EIC Repayment Installment	EIC Loan Repayment Amount (expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount of the EIC Loan)
173	0.59%
174	0.60%
175	0.60%
176	0.61%
177	0.62%
178	0.63%
179	0.64%
180	0.65%
181	0.66%
182	0.67%
183	0.68%
184	0.69%
185	0.70%
186	0.71%
187	0.72%
188	0.73%
189	0.75%
190	0.76%
191	0.77%
192	0.78%
193	0.79%
194	0.80%
195	0.82%
196	0.83%
197	0.84%
198	0.85%
199	0.87%
200	0.88%
201	0.89%
202	0.91%
203	0.92%
204	0.93%
205	0.95%
206	0.96%
207	0.98%
208	0.99%
209	1.01%
210	1.02%
211	1.04%
212	1.05%
213	1.07%
214	1.09%
215	1.10%
216	1.12%

EIC Repayment Installment	EIC Loan Repayment Amount (expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount of the EIC Loan)
217	1.14%
218	1.15%
219	1.17%
220	1.19%
221	1.21%
222	1.22%
223	1.24%
224	1.26%
225	1.28%
226	1.30%
227	1.32%
228	1.34%
229	1.36%
230	1.38%
231	1.40%
232	1.42%
233	1.44%
234	1.47%
235	1.49%
236	1.51%
237	1.53%
	100.00%

Form of Notice of Assignment

[LETTERHEAD OF A & A ELECTRICITY INVESTMENT (JERSEY) LIMITED]

TERMOBAHIA LTDA

[insert contact information]

[date]

[cc: Inter-American Development Bank (Private Sector Department)

1300 New York Avenue, N.W.

Washington D.C. 20577

Attention: Manager and Loan Administration Unit]

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Notice of Assignment NO. []*

1. Please refer to the Loan Agreement dated [] (the "Loan Agreement"), by and among Termobahia Ltda (the "Company") and A & A ELECTRICITY INVESTMENT (JERSEY) LIMITED (The "Lender") [** and to previous notice of assignment sent by us on [date] under Section 12 of the Loan Agreement, pursuant to which [each of] [name of previous Assignee(s)] became Lender and party to the Loan Agreement]. All terms used but not defined herein are used as defined in the Loan Agreement.
2. We hereby notify you, pursuant to Section 12 of the Loan Agreement, that we have assigned to [], a company organized and existing under the laws of [] (hereafter, the "Assignee") our rights and obligations in respect of [US\$] of the Loan. Such assignment shall become effective, pursuant to Section 12.2, on receipt by the Company of this notice [**], and by each Lender of a copy hereof, in accordance with Section 14.
3. On such assignment becoming effective, the Assignee shall become a "Lender" and a "Party" under the Loan Agreement.
4. We attach as Appendix A to this notice an original copy of the deed of adherence executed by the Assignee as required by Section 12.2(b).

* Notices are to be numbered in series.

**This wording is not necessary for the first notice of assignment.

5. For the purposes of Section 14.1, we hereby notify you that the address for service of notice to the Assignee under the Loan Agreement shall be the following or such other address as the Assignee may notify the other Parties in accordance with such Section 14.

[Assignee's name]

[Address]

[Fax number]

Attention: ☐

Very truly yours,

[Lender]

By: [Name and office of authorized person signing for
Lender]

Encl.: Appendix A Deed of Adherence

Form of Deed of Adherence

[LETTERHEAD OF ASSIGNEE]

[date]

TERMOBAHIA LTDA.
A & A ELECTRICITY INVESTMENT (JERSEY) LIMITED
[OTHER LENDER(S)]**

[cc: Inter-American Development Bank (Private Sector Department)
1300 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20577
Attention: Manager and Loan Administration Unit]

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Deed of Adherence

1. Please refer to the Loan Agreement dated [] (the "Loan Agreement"), by and among (i) Termobahia Ltda. (the "Company") and (ii) A & A ELECTRICITY INVESTMENT (JERSEY) LIMITED ("Lender") [** and (iii) [] who became party and Lender thereunder pursuant to an assignment thereunder by [Lender].] All terms used but not defined herein are used as defined in the Loan Agreement.

Please also refer to the notice of assignment, to which this deed of adherence is attached, sent to the Company by [Lender] [** with copy to the other Lender(s)], pursuant to Section 12 of the Loan Agreement, informing you that [Lender] has made an assignment to us (the "Assignment") of its rights and obligations in respect of the Loan.

2. We note that, pursuant to Section 12 of the Loan Agreement, upon the Assignment becoming effective, we shall enjoy all of the rights of [Lender] as Lender under the Loan Agreement in respect of the Loan assumed by us under the Assignment as if we had been party to and Lender under the Loan Agreement *ab initio*.
3. Pursuant to Section 12 of the Loan Agreement, we hereby undertake towards the current parties to the Loan and to their authorized successors and assigns, that on the Assignment becoming effective:

** This wording is not necessary if there has been no previous assignment.

- We shall henceforth be party to and Lender under the Loan Agreement as if we had been party thereto and Lender thereunder *ab initio*;
 - We shall perform our obligations under the Loan Agreement in accordance with its terms.
4. We note that the Assignment to us shall become effective, pursuant to Section 12.2, on receipt by the Company of Lender's notice of assignment, including this deed of adherence, [**], and by each Lender of a copy hereof,] in accordance with Section 14.
5. We request that you each acknowledge receipt of this deed of adherence by signing and returning to us one of the attached copies.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, [Assignee] has executed this Deed of Adherence to the Loan Agreement by its duly authorized representative the day and year first above written.

[Assignee]

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

We, [____], party to the Loan Agreement described above, hereby acknowledge receipt of the Deed of Adherence of [Assignee] dated [____] to which this acknowledgement is attached.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

** This wording is not necessary if there has been no previous assignment.