

PETROBRAS ENERGIA PARTICIPACIONES SA
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Report of Foreign Private Issuer

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January 14, 2004

PETROBRAS ENERGIA PARTICIPACIONES S.A.

(formerly PEREZ COMPANC S.A. and PC HOLDING S.A.)

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maipú 1, Piso 22

(1084) Buenos Aires, Argentina

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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Yes No

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FORESTRY BUSINESS SALE

Buenos Aires, January 14, 2004 Petrobras Energía Participaciones S.A. (Buenos Aires: PBE, NYSE:PZE), controlling company with a 98.21% stake in Petrobras Energía S.A. (Buenos Aires: PESA), announces that Petrobras Energía S.A., has completed the formalities necessary for execution of the transfer of the goodwill related to the forestry-industrial activities developed in Misiones.

In December 2002, Petrobras Energía S.A. transferred to Alto Paraná S.A. (APSA), among other forestry assets, the goodwill related to the forestry-industrial business located in the Province of Misiones. The effectiveness of such transaction was subject to compliance with certain conditions and administrative formalities, including the approval by the Argentine Secretariat of Competition, Deregulation and Consumer Defense (Secretaría de la Competencia, la Desregulación y la Defensa del Consumidor de la Argentina).

In December 2003, such Secretariat approved the said operation. Therefore, on January 9, 2004 Petrobras Energía S.A. and APSA subscribed the documents necessary for the execution of the transaction. Petrobras Energía S.A. received the amount of US\$ 29.6 MM as the remaining balance of the agreed upon price.