

## COMPANHIA BRASILEIRA DE DISTRIBUIÇÃO

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Authorized-Capital Publicly-Held Company

### CHAPTER I - NAME, HEAD OFFICE, PURPOSE AND DURATION

**ARTICLE 1** - COMPANHIA BRASILEIRA DE DISTRIBUIÇÃO ("Company") is a publicly held company with head offices and jurisdiction at Av. Brigadeiro Luís Antonio, 3142, in the City of São Paulo, Federative Republic of Brazil, hereinafter governed by these Bylaws, by Law 6404 dated December 15<sup>th</sup>, 1976, as amended, and other applicable legal provisions.

**Sole Paragraph** – Upon the Company's admission to the special listing segment named Level 1 of Corporate Governance of the BM&FBOVESPA S.A. – the *BM&F BOVESPA Commodities and Futures Exchange* ("BM&FBOVESPA"), the Company, its shareholders, Managers and members of the Fiscal Council, when installed, subject themselves to the provisions of the Level 1 Listing Rules on Corporate Governance issued by BM&FBOVESPA ("Level 1 Rules").

**ARTICLE 2** - The corporate purpose of the Company is the sale of manufactured, semi- manufactured or raw products, both Brazilian and foreign, of any type or species, nature or quality, provided that the sale of such products is not prohibited by law.

**First Paragraph** - The Company may also engage in the following activities:

a) manufacture, processing, handling, transformation, exportation, importation and representation of food or non-food products either on its own or through third parties;

b) international trade, including that involving coffee;

c) importation, distribution and sale of cosmetic products for hygienic or make-up purposes, toiletries, sanitary and related products and food supplements;

d) sale of drugs and medicines, pharmaceutical and homeopathic specialties, chemical products, accessories, dental care equipment, tools and equipment for surgery, production of chemical products and pharmaceutical specialties, with the possibility that such activities of the Company are specialized as Drugstore, Allopathic Drugstore, Homeopathic Drugstore or Manipulation Drugstore of each specialty;

e) sale of oil products, filling up of fuels of any kind, rendering of technical assistance services, garage, repair, washing, lubrication, sale of accessories and other similar services, of any vehicles;

f) sale of products, drugs and general veterinary medicines; veterinary consultation, clinic and hospital and pet shop with bath and shearing service;

g) rental of any recorded media;

h) provision of photo, film and similar studio services;

i) execution and administration of real estate transactions, purchasing, promoting subdivisions and incorporations, leasing and selling real estate properties on the Company's own behalf as well as for third parties;

j) acting as distributor, agent and representative of merchants and industrial concerns established in Brazil or abroad and, in such capacity, for consignors or on its own behalf acquiring, retaining, possessing and carrying out any operations and transactions in its own interests or on behalf of such consignors;

k) provision of data processing services;

- l) building and construction services of all kinds, either on its own behalf or for third parties, purchase and sale of construction materials and installation and maintenance of air conditioning systems, cargo loaders and freight elevators;
- m) use of sanitary products and related products;
- n) general municipal, state and interstate ground freight transportation for its own products and those of third parties, including warehousing, depositing, loading, unloading, packaging and guarding any such products, and subcontracting the services contemplated in this item;
- o) communication services, general advertising and marketing, including for bars, cafes and restaurants, which may extend to other compatible or connected areas, subject to any legal restrictions;
- p) purchase, sale and distribution of books, magazines, newspapers, periodicals and similar products;
- q) performance of studies, analysis, planning and markets research;
- r) performance of market test for the launching of new products, packing and labels;
- s) creation of strategies and analysis of "sales behavior in specific sectors", of special promotions and advertising;
- t) provision of management services of food, meal, drugstore, fuel and transportation vouchers/cards and other cards resulting from the activities related to its corporate purpose; and
- u) lease and sublease of its own or third-party furnishings;
- v) provision of management services;
- w) representation of other companies, both Brazilian and foreign, and participation as a partner or shareholder in the capital stock of other companies irrespective of their form or object of same, and in commercial enterprises of any nature;
- x) Agency, brokerage or intermediation of coupons and tickets;
- y) Services related to billing, receipts or payments, of coupons, bills or booklets, rates, taxes and for third parties, including those made by electronic means or by automatic teller machines; supply of charging position, receipt or payment; issuing of booklets, forms of compensation, printed and documents in general; and
- z) Provision of services in connection with parking lot, stay and the safeguard of vehicles.

**Second Paragraph** - The Company may provide guarantees or collateral for business transactions of its interest, although it must not do so merely as a favor.

**ARTICLE 3** - The Company's term of duration shall be indefinite.

## **CHAPTER II CAPITAL STOCK AND SHARES**

**ARTICLE 4** - The Company Capital is six billion seven hundred and eighty-six million, hundred and seventy thousand, eight hundred and sixty-eight Reais and sixty-nine cents (R\$ 6.786.170.868,69), fully paid in and divided into two hundred sixty-five million one hundred thirty-seven thousand, seven hundred ninety-one (265.137.791) shares with no par value, of which ninety-nine million, six hundred seventy-nine thousand and eight hundred fifty-one (99,679,851) are common shares and one hundred sixty-five million four hundred fifty-seven thousand, nine hundred and forty (165.457.940) are preferred shares.

**First Paragraph** - The shares of capital stock are indivisible in relation to the Company and each common share entitles its holder to one vote at the General Shareholders' Meetings.

**Second Paragraph** - The shares shall be recorded in book-entry systems and be kept in deposit accounts on behalf of their holders with the authorized financial institution designated by the Company, without issuance of share certificates.

**Third Paragraph** – Shareholders can, at any time, convert common shares into preferred shares, since they are paid-up and observing the limit of article 5 below. Conversion requests should be sent in writing to the Executive Board. Conversion requests received by the Executive Board should be ratified on the first Board of Directors' meeting, since the conditions above are complied with.

**Fourth Paragraph** – The cost of the service of transferring the ownership of the book-entry shares charged by the depository financial institution may be passed on to the shareholder, pursuant to the third paragraph of Article 35 of Law No. 6,404 dated 12/15/76, subject to the maximum limits established by the Brazilian Securities Exchange Commission ("*Comissão de Valores Mobiliários*", or "CVM").

**ARTICLE 5** - The Company is entitled to issue new shares without maintaining proportion between types and/or classes of the existing shares, provided that the number of preferred shares shall not exceed the limit of two thirds (2/3) of the total issued shares.

**First Paragraph** - The preferred shares shall be entitled to the following privileges and preferences:

a) priority in the reimbursement of capital, in an amount calculated by dividing the Capital Stock by the number of outstanding shares, without premium, in the event of liquidation of the Company;

b) priority in the receipt of a minimum annual dividend in the amount of eight cents of Real (R\$ 0.08) per one (1) preferred share, on a non-cumulative basis;

c) participation under equal conditions as the common shares in the distribution of bonus shares resulting from capitalization of reserves or retained earnings; and

d) participation in the receipt of dividend as set forth in Article 36, IV, item "c" of these Bylaws, which shall be distributed for the common and preferred shares so as to for each preferred share shall be ascribed a dividend ten percent (10%) higher than the dividend assigned to each common share, pursuant to the provisions of Article 17, first paragraph, of Law No. 6,404/76, as amended by Law No. 10,303/01, including, for purposes of such calculation, in the sum of the total amount of dividends paid to the preferred shares, the amount paid as minimum dividend set forth in item "b" of this First Paragraph.

**Second Paragraph** - The preferred shares shall have no voting rights.

**Third Paragraph** - The preferred shares shall acquire voting rights in the event that the Company fails to pay the minimum or fixed dividends to which they are entitled according to these Bylaws for a period of three (3) consecutive fiscal years, according to the provisions of first paragraph of Article 111 of Law No. 6,404/76. These voting rights will cease upon the payment of such minimum or fixed dividends.

**ARTICLE 6** - The Company is authorized to increase its Capital Stock by resolution of the Board of Directors without the need to amendment the Company bylaws, up to the limit of four hundred million (400,000,000) shares, through issuance of new common or preferred shares, with due regard to the limit established in article 5 above.

**First Paragraph** - The limit of the Company's authorized capital shall only be modified by decision of a General Shareholders Meeting.

**Second Paragraph** - Within the limit of the authorized capital and in accordance with the plan approved by the General Shareholders Meeting, the Company may grant stock options to the members of its management bodies or employees, or to individuals providing services to the Company.

**ARTICLE 7** - The issuance of shares, subscription bonuses or debentures convertible into shares, may be approved by the Board of Directors, with the exclusion or reduction of the term for the exercise of preemptive rights, as provided in Article 172 of Law No. 6,404/76.

**Sole Paragraph** - Except for the provision set out in the heading of this article, the shareholders shall be entitled to preemptive rights, in proportion to their respective equity interests, in the subscription of any Company's capital increases, with the exercise of such right being governed by the legislation applicable thereto.

### **CHAPTER III GENERAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING**

**ARTICLE 8** -The General Meeting is the meeting of the shareholders, which shareholders may attend in person or appoint and constitute their representatives under the provisions of the Law, in order to resolve on matters of the interest of the Company

**ARTICLE 9** – The General Shareholders' Meeting shall be called, incepted and chaired by the Board of Directors Chairman, in his absence, by the Board of Directors Vice-Chairman or, in his absence, by an Officer appointed by the Board of Directors Chairman and shall have the following attributions:

- I. the amendment to the Company's Bylaws;
- II. the appointment and removal of members of the Company's Board of Directors at any time;
- III. the appointment and removal of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of the Company's Board of Directors;
- IV. the approval, annually, of the accounts and financial statements of the Company's management, prepared by them;
- V. the approval of any issuance of common or preferred shares up to the limit of the authorized capital, as provided in Article 6 above and any bonuses, debentures convertible into its shares or with secured guarantee or securities or other rights or interests which are convertible or exchangeable into or exercisable for its shares, or any other options, warrants, rights, contracts or commitments of any character pursuant to which the Company is or may be bound to issue, transfer, sell, repurchase or otherwise acquire any shares and the terms and conditions of subscription and payment;
- VI. the approval of any appraisals of assets, which the shareholders may contribute for the formation of the Company's capital;
- VII. the approval of any proposal for change the corporate form, amalgamation, merger (including absorption of shares), spin-off or split of the Company, or any other form of restructuring of the Company;
- VIII. the approval of any proposal for dissolution or liquidation of the Company, appointing or replacement of its liquidator(s);
- IX. the approval of the accounts of the liquidator(s);
- X. the establishment of the global annual compensation of the members of any management body of the Company, including fringe benefits;
- XI. the approval or the amendment of the annual operating plan; and
- XII. the approval of any delisting of shares of the Company for trading on stock exchanges.

**ARTICLE 10** - Any resolution of the General Shareholders' Meeting shall be taken by the approval of shareholders representing at least the absolute majority of the present shareholders entitled to vote, except if qualified quorum is required by law.

**ARTICLE 11** – The Annual Shareholders’ Meeting shall have the attributions set forth in the law and shall take place during the first four months following the end of each fiscal year.

**Sole Paragraph** - Whenever necessary, the General Shareholders’ Meeting may be installed extraordinarily, and may be carried out subsequently with the Annual Shareholders’ Meeting.

#### **CHAPTER IV MANAGEMENT**

**ARTICLE 12** - The Company shall be managed by a Board of Directors and an Executive Board.

**First Paragraph** - The term of office of the members of the Board of Directors and the Executive Board shall be up to two (2) years, reelection being permitted.

**Second Paragraph** - The Directors and the Executive Board shall take office by signing their oaths in the Minutes Book of the Board of Directors or of the Executive Board, as the case may be. The investiture of the members of the Board of Directors and the Board shall be conditioned on prior execution of the Statement of Consent of the Managers under the terms of the provision in the Level 1 Rules, as well as compliance with the applicable legal requirements.

**Third Paragraph** - The term of office of the Directors and Executive Officers shall be extended until their respective successors take office.

**Fourth Paragraph** - The minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Board shall be record in the proper book, which shall be signed by the present Directors and Executive Officers, as the case may be.

#### **Section I Board of Directors**

**ARTICLE 13**-The Board of Directors shall consist of at least three (3) and no more than twelve (12) members, elected and removed by the General Shareholders' Meeting.

**Sole Paragraph** - In the event of permanent vacancy of a Director’s office, the Board of Directors shall elect a substitute to fulfill such position permanently, until the end of the relevant term in office. In the event of simultaneous vacancy of the majority of the positions, General Shareholders’ Meeting shall be called in order to proceed with a new election.

**ARTICLE 14** - The Board of Directors shall have a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman, both appointed by the Shareholders' Meeting.

**First Paragraph** – The positions of Chairman of the Board of Director and of President-Director or Chief Executive Officer of the Company cannot be accumulated by one and the same person.

**Second Paragraph** - In the event of absence or impediment of the Chairman of the Board of Directors, he shall be replaced by the Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors. In the event of vacancy of the Chairman position, the Vice-Chairman shall automatically take such position and call a Shareholders’ Meeting within fifteen (15) days from the date of said vacancy, for the appointment of a new Chairman of the Board of Directors on a permanent basis, until the end of the relevant term of office.

**ARTICLE 15** - The Board of Directors shall ordinarily meet at least six times every year, to review the financial and other results of the Company and to review and follow-up of the annual operating plan, and shall extraordinarily meet whenever necessary.

**First Paragraph** - The Chairman shall call the meetings of the Board of Directors, by his or her initiative or at the written request of any Director.

**Second Paragraph** – The calls for the meetings of the Board of Directors shall be made by electronic means, facsimile or letter, with at least seven (7) days in advance, including the agenda of the meeting and specifying the place and date to be held on first call and, as the case may be, on second call. Any proposal of resolutions and all necessary documentation related thereto shall be at the Board of Directors disposal. The meetings shall be held regardless the respective call notice in case of attendance of all Directors in office at such time, or by the prior written consent of the absents Directors.

**Third Paragraph** – The presence of at least half of the Board of Directors members shall be required for the installation of a meeting of the Board of Directors on first call, and the presence of any number of the members of the Board of Directors shall be required for the installation of a meeting on second call. For purposes of the quorum required in this Paragraph, it shall include the members represented as authorized by these Bylaws.

**ARTICLE 16** - The Board of Directors meetings shall be presided by its Chairman, or in his absence, he shall be replaced by the Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors.

**First Paragraph** – The resolutions of the Board of Directors shall be taken by majority of votes cast by its members. Board members may partake of the meetings of the Board of Directors through e-conferencing, through video-conferencing or through any other means of electronic communications allowing the identification of the director and simultaneous communication with all the other ones attending the meeting. In this case, directors will be considered as present to the meeting and shall execute the corresponding minutes of such meeting afterwards.

**Second Paragraph** – In case of absence or temporary impediment of any member of the Board of Directors, the absent member may appoint, in writing, from among the other members of the Board of Directors, his or her substitute. In this case, the member who is replacing the temporarily absent or impeded member, in addition to his own vote, shall cast the vote of the replaced member.

**ARTICLE 17** - The Board of Directors shall approve its Internal Regulations and appoint an Executive Secretary, who shall perform the duties defined in the Internal Regulations, as well as issue certificates and confirm, to third parties, the authenticity of resolutions taken by the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE 18** - In addition to the powers provided for in the applicable law, the Board of Directors shall have the powers to:

- a) set forth the general guidelines of the Company's business;
- b) appoint and remove the Executive Officers of the Company, establishing their duties and titles;
- c) supervise action of the Executive Officers of the Company, examine, at any time, the records and books of the Company, request information on agreements executed or to be executed and on any other acts or matters;
- d) call the General Shareholders' Meeting;
- e) issue an opinion on the report of the management, the accounts of the Executive Board and the financial statements of the Company;
- f) approve the issuance of shares of any type or class up to the limit of the authorized capital and establish the respective price and payment conditions;
- g) appoint and remove the independent public accountants, observed the Audit Committee's recommendation;
- h) issue an opinion on any and all proposals of the Executive Board to be submitted to the General Shareholders' Meetings;
- i) authorize the acquisition of shares of the Company for purposes of cancellation or maintenance in treasury;

j) develop, jointly with the Executive Board, and approve a profit sharing and additional benefits program for the members of the management bodies and for the employees of the Company (Profit Sharing Program);

k) define the share of Company's profits to be allocated to the Profit Sharing Program in due compliance with the applicable legal provisions, these Bylaws and the Profit Sharing Program in effect at such time. The amounts expensed or accrued in each fiscal year by way of profit sharing in addition to granting option to purchase Company's stock shall be limited up to fifteen per cent (15%) of the profit recorded in each fiscal year after the pertinent deductions have been effected in accordance with Article 189 of Law No. 6404/76;

l) set forth the number of shares to be issued under the stock option plan previously approved by the General Shareholders Meeting, provided that the limit established in item "l" above is duly observed;

m) set up Committees, that shall be responsible for making proposals or recommendations and giving their opinions to the Board of Directors and set forth its respective attributions, in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws ;

n) approve the acquisition, sale, disposal or creation of any lien on any asset, including any real estate, of the Company or any other investments made by the Company in an individual amount or cumulated over a fiscal year in excess of the amount in Reais equivalent to twenty million U.S. Dollars (US\$20,000,000.00) or in excess of an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the net worth of the Company as determined in its latest annual balance sheet or quarterly financial statements, whichever is greater;

o) approve any financial arrangement involving the Company, including the lending or borrowing of funds and the issuance of non-convertible and unsecured debentures, in excess of an individual amount equivalent to one half (0.5) of EBITDA of the preceding twelve (12) months; and

p) approve the joint venture of the Company with third parties involving an individual investment or cumulated over a fiscal year. in excess of the amount in Reais equivalent to US\$20,000,000.00 (twenty million U.S. Dollars) or in excess of an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the net worth of the Company as determined in its latest annual balance sheet or quarterly financial statements, whichever is greater;

**First Paragraph** - In case a resolution to be taken by the corporate bodies of companies controlled by the Company or companies of which the Company elect its directors or executive officers, the Board of Directors shall instruct the vote to be cast by the members elected or appointed by the Company to those corporate bodies if the matter of such resolution refers to the items (n), (o) and (p) of this Article, being the parameters referred therein calculated in accordance with the latest annual balance sheet or quarterly financial statements of such controlled or invested companies.

q) the approval of any change in the Company's dividend policy;

**Second Paragraph** - The Board of Directors shall approve a policy for related party transactions and may establish limits, authority and specific procedures for the approval of such transactions.

## **Section II Management's Auxiliary Bodies**

**ARTICLE 19** – The Company shall have as support body to the Board of Directors an Audit Committee composed of at least three (3) and no more than five (5) members, of which two (2), at least, shall be external and independent members (“External Members”), subject to the provisions of Article 21 and the Chapter V of these Bylaws.

**First Paragraph** - The members of the Audit Committee shall be elected by the Board of Directors and meet all the applicable independency requirements as set forth in the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

**Second Paragraph** - The External Members of the Audit Committee shall fulfill the following prerequisites:

- a) not be a member of the Board of Directors of the Company or of its controlled companies; and
- b) have knowledge or experience in auditing, controls, accounting, taxation or the rules applicable to publicly-held companies, as concerns the adequate preparation of their financial statements.

**ARTICLE 20** – The members of the Audit Committee shall be elected by the Board of Directors for a term of office of two (2) years, with reelection being permitted for successive terms.

**First Paragraph** - During their term of office, the members of the Audit Committee may not be replaced except for the following reasons:

- a) death or resignation;
- b) unjustified absence from three (3) consecutive meetings or six (6) alternate meetings per year; or
- c) a substantiated decision of the Board of Directors.

**Second Paragraph** - In the event of a vacancy in the Audit Committee, the Board of Directors shall elect a person to complete the term of office of the replaced member.

**Third Paragraph** -The Audit Committee shall:

- a) propose to the Board of Directors the nomination of the independent auditors as well as their replacement;
- b) review the management report and the financial statements of the Company and of its controlled companies, and provide the recommendations it deems necessary to the Board of Directors;
- c) Review the quarterly financial information and the periodic financial statements prepared by the Company;
- d) assess the effectiveness and sufficiency of the internal control structure and of the internal and independent audit processes of the Company and of its controlled companies, including in relation to the provisions set forth in the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, submitting the recommendations it deems necessary for the improvement of policies, practices and procedures;
- e) provide its opinion, upon request of the Board of Directors, with respect to the proposals of the management bodies, to be submitted to the Shareholders' Meetings, relating to changes to the capital stock, issuance of debentures or warrants, capital budgets, dividend distribution, transformation, merger, amalgamation or spin-off; and
- f) provide its opinion on the matters submitted to it by the Board of Directors, as well as on those matters it determines to be relevant.

**ARTICLE 21** – In the event the Fiscal Council is established as set forth in Law 6,404/76 and in Chapter V below, the Audit Committee shall maintain its functions, subject to the powers granted to the Fiscal Council by law.

**ARTICLE 22** – The Board of Directors may constitute other Committees and decides their composition, which shall have the function of receiving and analyzing information, elaborating proposals or making recommendations to the Board of Directors, in their specific areas, in accordance with their internal regulations to be approved by the Board of Directors.

**Sole Paragraph** - The members of the Committees created by the Board of Directors shall have the same duties and liabilities as the managers.



**Section III**  
**Executive Board**

**ARTICLE 23** - The Executive Board shall be composed of at least two (2) and no more than fourteen (14) members, shareholders or not, resident in Brazil, appointed and removed by the Board of Directors, being necessarily appointed one (1) as the Chief Executive Officer, one (1) Investor Relations Executive Officer and the others Vice Chief Executive Officers and Officers.

**ARTICLE 24** - The Executive Officers shall be in charge of the general duties set forth in these bylaws and those establish by the Board of Directors and shall keep mutual cooperation among themselves and assist each other in the performance of their duties and functions.

**First Paragraph** – The duties and titles of each Executive Officer shall be established by the Board of Directors.

**Second Paragraph** - In the event of absences, occasional impairments and vacancy, the Executive Officers shall be replaced in the following manner:

**a)** in the event of absences and occasional impairments of the CEO, he shall be replaced by other Executive Officer indicated by him and in the event of permanent vacancy, the Board of Directors shall appoint the CEO's substitute within thirty (30) days, who shall complete the term of office of the CEO;

**b)** in the event of absences and occasional impairments of the remaining Executive Officers, they shall be replaced by the CEO and, in the event of permanent vacancy, the Board of Directors shall appoint the Executive Officer's substitute within fifteen (15) days, who shall complete the term of office of the substituted Executive Officer.

**ARTICLE 25** - The Executive Board shall meet upon call of its CEO or of half of its Executive Officers in office.

**Sole Paragraph** - The minimum quorum required for the installation of a meeting of the Executive Board is the presence of at least one-third (1/3) of the Executive Officers in office at such time. The resolutions of the Executive Board shall be approved by the majority of the votes. In the event of a tie in connection of any matter subject to the Executive Officers approval, such matter shall be submitted to the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE 26** - In addition to the duties that may be attributed to the Executive Board by the General Shareholders' Meeting and by the Board of Directors, and without prejudice to the other legal duties, the Executive Board shall have the power to:

**I** - manage the Company's business and ensure compliance with these bylaws;

**II** – ensure that the Company's purpose is duly performed;

**III** - approve all plans, programs and general rules of operation, management and control for the development of the Company, in accordance with the guidelines determined by the Board of Directors;

**IV** - prepare and submit to the Annual Shareholders' Meeting a report on the corporate business activities, including the balance sheet and financial statements required by law for each fiscal year, as well as the respective opinions of the Fiscal Council, as the case may be;

**V** – guide all Company's activities under the guidelines set forth by the Board of Directors and appropriate to the fulfillment of its purposes;

**VI** – suggest investment and operating plans or programs to the Board of Directors;

**VII** - authorize the opening and closing of branches, agencies or depots and/or institute delegations, offices and representations in any location of the national territory or abroad;

**VIII** – render an opinion on any matter to be submitted to the Board of Directors approval; and

**IX** - develop and carry out, jointly with the Board of Directors, the Employee Profit Sharing Program.

**ARTICLE 27** – The Chief Executive Officer, in particular, is entitled to:

- a) plan, coordinate, conduct and manage all Company's activities, as well as perform all executive and decision-making functions;
- b) carry out the overall supervision of all Company's activities, coordinating and guiding the other Executive Officers' activities;
- c) call and install the meetings of the Executive Board;
- d) coordinate and conduct the process of approval of the annual/multi-annual budget and of the investment and expansion plans together with the Board of Directors; and
- e) suggest functions and respective candidates for the Executive Officers positions of the Company and submit such suggestion to the Board of Directors approval.

**ARTICLE 28** - It is incumbent upon the Executive Officers to assist and support the CEO in the administration of the Company, in accordance with duties determined by the Board of Directors and perform all acts necessary for the regular Company's activities, as long as these acts have been duly authorized by the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE 29** - The Executive Officers shall represent the Company actively and passively, in court and outside courts and before third parties, performing and signing all acts that result in obligations to the Company.

**First Paragraph** – For the granting of powers-of-attorney, the Company shall be represented by two (2) Executive Officers, acting jointly, and all powers-of-attorney shall a validity term, except for powers-of-attorney granted for judicial purposes, in addition to the description of the powers granted which may cover any and all acts, including those related to banking operations;

**Second Paragraph** - In case of acts that entail any kind of acquisition, sale, disposal or creation of any lien on any Company's asset, including any real estate, as well as, for the granting of powers-of-attorney for the practice of such acts, the Company is required to be represented jointly by three (3) Executive Officers of whom one must always be the CEO and the others Executive Officers to be appointed by the Board of Directors.

**Third Paragraph** - The Company shall be considered duly represented:

- a) jointly by two Executive Officers;
- b) jointly by one Executive Officer to be appointed by the Board of Directors, and an attorney-in-fact, when so determined by the respective power-of-attorney and in accordance with the powers contained therein;
- c) jointly by two attorneys-in-fact, when so determined by the respective power of attorney and in accordance with the powers contained therein;
- d) solely by an attorney-in-fact or Executive Officer, in specific cases, when so determined by the respective power of attorney and in accordance with the powers contained therein.

## **CHAPTER V FISCAL COUNCIL**

**ARTICLE 30** – The Company shall have a Fiscal Council that shall operate on a non-permanent basis, being installed by the General Meeting, as provided for by law.

**First Paragraph** - The members of the Fiscal Council and their alternates shall occupy their positions up to the first Annual Shareholders' Meeting held after their respective appointments, reelection permitted.

**Second Paragraph** – At their first meeting, the members of the Fiscal Council shall elect its Chairman, who shall be responsible for enforcing the committee's resolutions.

**Third Paragraph** - The Fiscal Council may request the Company to appoint qualified personnel to provide administrative and technical support.

**ARTICLE 31** - The Fiscal Council shall be composed of no less than three (3) and up to five (5) effective members and the same number of alternates, residents in the country, shareholders or not, all of them qualified in accordance with the legal provisions.

**First Paragraph** – In the case of absence of impediment, the members of the Fiscal Council shall be replaced by their respective alternates.

**Second Paragraph** - In addition to cases of death, resignation, dismissal and other cases provided for by law, the position of the member shall be considered vacant when the member of the Fiscal Council is absent, without just cause, at two (2) consecutive meetings or three (3) non-consecutive meetings in the course of the year.

**Third Paragraph** - In the event of vacancy of the position of Fiscal Council member, if there is no alternate member, a General Meeting will be called to elect a member for the vacant position.

**ARTICLE 32** - The Fiscal Council shall have the powers and duties conferred upon it by law and the Internal Regulation of the Fiscal Council.

**First Paragraph** - The Fiscal Council holds quarterly general meetings and extraordinary meetings whenever necessary.

**Second Paragraph** - Meetings are called by the Chairman of the Fiscal Council on his own initiative or per written request of any of its members.

**Third Paragraph** - The resolutions of the Fiscal Council shall be made by absolute majority vote of those in attendance. In order for a meeting to be instituted, the majority of the members must be present.

**Fourth Paragraph** - The members of the Fiscal Council shall participate in the committee's meetings by telephone or video conference call, or any other electronic means of communication, and shall be considered present at the meeting. Immediately after the meeting is over, the members must confirm their votes through a written declaration sent to the Chairman of the Fiscal Council by conventional mail, fax, or electronic mail. Upon receipt, the Chairman of the Fiscal Council shall be empowered to sign the minutes of the meeting on behalf of its members.

**ARTICLE 33** - The compensation of the members of the Fiscal Council shall be fixed by the General Shareholders' Meeting in which they are appointed, with due observance of the legal limit.

## **CHAPTER VI CORPORATE YEAR AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**ARTICLE 34** - The fiscal year ends on December 31 of each year, when the balance sheet and financial statements required by applicable law shall be prepared.

**ARTICLE 35** - The Company may, at the discretion of the Executive Board, prepare quarterly or semi-annual balance sheets.

**CHAPTER VII  
PROFIT DESTINATION**

**ARTICLE 36** – Upon the preparation of the balance sheet, the following rules shall be observed with respect to the distribution of the profits:

**I** - from the profits of the fiscal year shall be deducted, before any allocation of net income, the accumulated losses and the provision of the income tax;

**II** - After deducting the portions described in item I above, the portion to be distributed in the form of employee profit sharing shall be deducted, as determined by the Board of Directors, in compliance with the Profit Sharing Program and under the terms and according to the limits provided in items "j" and "k" of Article 18 herein;

**III** - in due compliance with the terms and limits established in paragraphs of Article 152 of Law No. 6,404/76 and the limit established in item "k" of Article 18 herein, the amount corresponding to the managers in the Company's profits shall be deducted, as determined by the Board of Directors, in compliance with the Profit Sharing Program;

**IV** - the remaining net profits shall have the following destination:

**a)** 5% (five per cent) shall be allocated to the legal reserve fund until such reserve reaches the limit of 20% (twenty per cent) of the Capital Stock;

**b)** amounts to the formation of the reserve for contingencies reserve, if so decided by the General Shareholders' Meeting;

**c)** 25% (twenty five per cent) shall be allocated to the payment of the mandatory dividends pursuant to First Paragraph below, in accordance with the provisions contained in first and second paragraphs of Article 5 herein;

**d)** the profit not provisioned in the reserve described in Second Paragraph below and not allocated in accordance with the provisions of Article 196 of Law No. 6404/76 shall be distributed as additional dividends.

**First Paragraph** –The mandatory dividends shall be calculated and paid in accordance with the following rules:

**a)** the basis for calculation of the dividends payable shall be the net profit of the fiscal year, less the amounts allocated to the legal reserve and the contingency reserves and plus the amount obtained from the reversion of the reserves of contingencies formed in the previous fiscal year;

**b)** the payment of the dividend calculated in accordance with the provisions of the previous item may be limited to the amount of the net profit effectively realized of the fiscal year for that has ended pursuant to the law, provided that the difference is registered as reserve for profits to be realized;

**c)** the profits registered in the reserve for profits to be realized, when accrued and if such profits have not been absorbed by the losses in the subsequent fiscal years, shall be increased to the first declared dividends after such realization.

**Second Paragraph** – It is hereby created, the Reserve for Expansion, which purpose shall ensure resources for financing additional investments in fixed assets and working capital and to which shall be allocated up to 100% of the remaining profits after the deductions and destinations established in items "a", "b" and "c" of item IV above. The total amount provisioned in such reserve shall nor exceed the total amount of the Company's Capital Stock.

**Third Paragraph** - If duly authorized by the Board of Directors, the Company may elect to distribute interim dividends, ad referendum by the General Shareholders' Meeting.

**Fourth Paragraph** - The Company may elect to pay or credit interests as remuneration of its own capital calculated on the accounts of the net worth, in due observance of the rate and limits determined by law

**ARTICLE 37** – The amount of dividends shall be placed at the shareholders disposition within a maximum term of sixty (60) days as from the date of their allotment, and may be monetarily adjusted, if so determined by the Board of Directors, subject to the applicable legal provisions.

**ARTICLE 38** - The financial statements and accounts of the Company shall be audited on an annual basis by internationally recognized independent accountants.

## **CHAPTER VIII LIQUIDATION**

**ARTICLE 39** – The Company shall be liquidated in the cases provided by law, and the General Shareholders' Meeting shall determine the form of liquidation, appoint the liquidator and the members of the Fiscal Council, which shall operate during the liquidation, and establish their compensation.

## **CHAPTER IX FINAL PROVISIONS**

**ARTICLE 40** – The values in U.S. Dollars mentioned herein shall be exclusively used as reference for monetary update and shall be converted into Reals using the average exchange rate for the U.S. Dollar published by the Central Bank of Brazil.

**ARTICLE 41** - The cases not regulated in these bylaws shall be solved in conformity with current applicable legislation.

**ARTICLE 42** - The present bylaws shall come into effect as of the date of its approval by the General Shareholders Meeting.