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**DIVIDENDS DISTRIBUTION AND SHAREHOLDERS' MEETINGS**

(Santiago, Chile, February 24, 2008) Madeco S.A. ("Madeco" or "the Company") (NYSE ticker: MAD) reported today the following information to the *Superintendencia de Valores y Seguros* (Chilean Securities and Insurance Superintendency, or "SVS"):

**Annual Shareholders' Meeting**

The Board of Directors agreed to summon an Annual Shareholders' Meeting to be held at 15:30 on March 25th, 2009, at the Ritz Carlton Hotel located at El Alcalde N°15, Las Condes, Santiago, Chile.

The issues to be included at the Annual Shareholders' Meeting are the following:

- a) approval of the Company's Annual Report, Financial Statements and External Auditors Report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008;
- b) distribution of net income of 2008;
- c) determination of the Board of Directors' remuneration;
- d) determination of the Audit Committee's fees, pursuant to Article 50 bis of Law #18,046 (Chilean Corporation Law) and approval of the Committee's expense budget for the year 2009;
- e) report of the Board of Director's expenses in 2008;
- f) approval of the Director's Committee report regarding activities and expenses for the fiscal year 2008;
- g) designation of the Company's External Auditors;
- h) approval of the Company's report regarding related party transactions, pursuant to Articles 44 and 89 of Law #18,046 (Chilean Corporation Law); and
- i) discussion of any other matter of interest within the scope of the Annual Shareholders' Meeting.

**Dividend distribution.**

The Board agreed to propose to the Annual Shareholders' Meeting to distribute a dividend of Ch\$15 per share with charge to the net income of the year 2008. The tax effects of this dividend will be informed once known.

**Extraordinary Shareholders Meeting.**

The Board also agreed to call to an Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting to be held after the Annual Shareholders' Meeting (at the same place), which will have to resolve these issues:

- a) Express the share capital in US dollars in its bylaws due to the change of the accounting methods to IFRS (International Financial Reporting Standards) in 2009.
- b) Take all other agreements as may be necessary or desirable to materialize, to carry out and complement the agreements adopted by the Shareholders' Meeting related to the previous issues.

**Participation in the Shareholders Meetings.**

The shareholders listed in the registers 5 days before the celebration of both Meetings (19 March, 2009) will have the right to participate in them.

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