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General secretary and secretary of the Board of Directors

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## To the National Securities Market Commission

Re: Implementation of the reduction of share capital by means of the retirement of own shares approved by the General Shareholders' Meeting of Iberdrola on 22 March 2013

Dear Sirs,

Pursuant to article 82 of Law 24/1988, of 28 July, on the Securities Market (Ley 24/1988, de 28 de julio, del Mercado de Valores) and related provisions, we are pleased to inform you that the Board of Director of Iberdrola, S.A. ("**Iberdrola**" or the "**Company**") has decided, at its meeting held today and further to a proposal from its Executive Committee, to carry out the implementation of the reduction of share capital by means of the retirement of treasury shares and the acquisition of own shares for the retirement thereof, approved by the General Shareholders' Meeting of the Company held on March 22, 2013 under item ten on the agenda.

The share capital of Iberdrola has been reduced in the amount of 113,061,312.00 euros, through the retirement of 150,748,416 own shares. The share capital resulting from the reduction has been set at 4,597,826,688.00 euros, corresponding to 6,130,435,584 shares.

The aim of the reduction is the retirement of own shares and, therefore, it has not entailed a return of contributions, since the Company itself is the holder of the shares to be retired.

The reduction has been carried out with a charge to unrestricted reserves by funding a retired capital reserve in an amount equal to the nominal value of the retired shares; such reserve may only be used by complying with the same requirements as those applicable to a reduction in share capital, as provided by section 335 c) of the *Companies Act*. Consequently, in accordance with the provisions of such section, creditors of the Company will not be entitled to assert the right of objection contemplated by section 334 of the *Companies Act* in connection with the approved reduction of share capital.

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The required announcements of reduction of share capital will be published in the Official Bulletin of the Commercial Registry and in the corporate web page of Iberdrola (<a href="www.iberdrola.es">www.iberdrola.es</a>) tomorrow, May 22, 2013. Afterwards, the public deed regarding the reduction of share capital and the amendment of the By-Laws will be granted and recorded with the Commercial Registry of Bizkaia; this circumstance will be duly communicated to the National Securities Market Commission through the corresponding relevant event.

Please be advised of all of the foregoing for the appropriate purposes.

Yours faithfully,

The general secretary and secretary of the Board of Directors



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