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Minerva is Included in the Bovespa's SMLL Index

Barretos, September 2, 2008 - Minerva S.A. (BOVESPA: BEEF3; Bloomberg: BEEF3.BZ; Reuters: BEEF3.SA), one of the market leaders in Brazil in the production and sale of beef products, leather and live cattle, hereby informs its shareholders and the market in general of its inclusion in the SMLL (Small Cap Index) of the São Paulo Stock Exchange (Bovespa).

As its name implies, the Small Cap Index measures the returns of a portfolio comprising companies with smaller market capitalizations. The shares are selected for their high liquidity and weighted in line with the market value of their free float.

To be included in the index, Minerva's shares met the following conditions in the twelve months prior to the formation of the portfolio: (i) to be included in the group of stocks whose combined tradability indexes represent 98% of the total value of all the individual tradability indexes; and (ii) to have participated in 100% of trading sessions in the period.

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About Minerva S.A.

Minerva S.A. is one of the leading producers and sellers of beef, leather and live cattle in Brazil, and is one of the country's three largest exporters in the sector in terms of gross revenue, exporting to some 80 countries. The Company has slaughter capacity of 6,200 head/day, processing capacity of 1,450 tons/day and leather capacity of 5,000 hides/day. Present in the states of São Paulo, Goiás, Tocantins, Mato Grosso do Sul and in Paraguay, where it operates eight slaughtering and deboning plants and two tanneries, as well as distribution centers located in Olímpia and São Bernardo do Campo. In 2007, Minerva posted net sales of R\$1.5 billion.



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