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## **PRESS RELEASE IN RELATION TO QUALIFIED SHAREHOLDING**

In accordance with and for the purposes of no. 1 of article 17 of the Portuguese Securities Code (Securities Code) and of the CMVM's Regulation no. 5/2008 (Regulation 5/2008), REN – Redes Energéticas Nacionais, SGPS, S.A. (REN) hereby discloses the following information received yesterday from the company Columbia Wanger Asset Management LLC (“Columbia Wanger”) in respect of a qualified shareholding in REN:

On February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012, various funds managed by Columbia Wanger acquired in Euronext Lisbon 115,131 ordinary shares in REN.

Further to the above-mentioned acquisition, Columbia Wagner became holder of a total qualified shareholding of 10,703,317 ordinary shares in REN representing 2.00437% of the voting rights corresponding to the share capital of REN.

Given that Columbia Wanger is under the direct control of Columbia Management Investment Advisers LLC and that the latter is under the direct control of Ameriprise Financial Inc., the above-mentioned qualified shareholding is also imputable to Columbia Management Investment Advisers LLC and Ameriprise Financial Inc.

Lisbon, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012

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