

The Depository Trust Company



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То:	All Participants
Category:	Dividends
From:	International Services
Attention:	Operations, Reorg & Dividend Managers, Partners & Cashiers
Subject:	Procedures for certain tax refunds - Country: Spain
	Iberdrola S.A.
	CUSIP: 450737101
	Record Date: 12/29/09 Payable Date: 01/07/10

The Depository Trust Company has received from JP Morgan Chase Bank the attached information regarding certain tax refunds on the above captioned dividend.

As directed in the notice, participants that have qualified beneficial holders that expect to benefit from this procedure should secure the required documentation.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

IBERDROLA S.A.

ADR Record Date: December 29, 2009 ADR Paydate: January 7, 2010

As Depositary for the American Depositary Receipts ("ADRs") of **Iberdrola S.A.**, CUSIP: 450737101 J.P.Morgan / GlobeTax is distributing this important notice announcing tax refund procedures for residents of the United States and other countries having a Double Taxation Agreement with Spain.

On January 7, 2010 J.P.Morgan will pay 82% of the dividend to all DTC Participants, representing payment of the Iberdrola S.A. dividend of 0.143 Euro per Ordinary Share (0.572 Euro per ADR Share). This dividend is subject to 18% withholding tax under Spanish law. Under the Income Tax convention between the United States and Spain, U.S. residents are eligible for reduced Spanish withholding tax (for most people, at a rate of 15% rather than the usual 18%) on the dividends paid by Iberdrola S.A.

For reasons of cost effectiveness, only those ADR holders with more than <u>4,000</u>ADRs may file using the quick refund process and only those ADR holders with more than <u>4,200</u> ADRs may file using the standard refund process. All tax reclaims submitted through J.P.Morgan / GlobeTax are subject to a depositary service charge of \$0.0035 or \$0.005 per share with a minimum of \$25.00 in addition to any fees charged to J.P.Morgan to facilitate the reclaim process, historically EUR 60.00 per reclaim. If you have any questions with respect to this matter, please contact Alex Pinho of J.P.Morgan / GlobeTax at (800) 929-5484 [facsimile (800) 929-9986].

QUICK FILING PROCEDURES FOR U.S. & NON-U.S. RESIDENTS

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS – <u>U.S. RESIDENTS</u> (required for each Beneficial Owner)

- J.P.MORGAN FILING COVER LETTER: This cover letter <u>must</u> be submitted on the company letterhead of the DTC Participant. The cover letter should state the <u>name</u>, address, fiscal residence, taxpayer I.D., <u>number of ADR shares</u>, and the amount to be refunded for each ADR beneficial owner on the record date for which a claim is submitted. The format for the cover letter can be found in the following pages of this notice.
- <u>CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY:</u> U.S. residents need to submit an <u>ORIGINAL</u> IRS Form 6166 signed and stamped by the Internal Revenue Service, which will verify the Beneficial Owner's name, tax identification number, and status as a resident of the United States. This Form 6166 must mention the Double Taxation Agreement between the United States and Spain and must be dated 1 year prior to December 30, 2009 or cite "Tax Year: 2009".

When you have received Form 6166 from the IRS, please send <u>both</u> the J.P.Morgan Filing Cover Letter and original IRS Form 6166 <u>together</u> to:

J.P.Morgan / GlobeTax 90 Broad Street, 16th Floor New York, NY 10004-2205 Attn: Banco Santander, S.A.

QUICK FILING DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS – <u>NON-U.S. RESIDENTS</u> (required for each Beneficial Owner)

- 1. <u>J.P.MORGAN FILING COVER LETTER</u>: This cover letter <u>must</u> be submitted on the company letterhead of the DTC Participant. The cover letter should state the <u>name</u>, <u>address</u>, <u>fiscal residence</u>, <u>taxpayer I.D.</u>, <u>number of ADR shares</u>, <u>and the amount to be</u> <u>refunded</u> for each ADR beneficial owner on the record date for which a claim is submitted. The format for the cover letter can be found in the following pages of this notice.
- 2. <u>CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY:</u> An <u>ORIGINAL</u> Formulario de Devolución will be required for any non-U.S. entity whose country of residence has formally agreed to the use of such forms (these countries are denoted with a * below). A stand-alone Certification of Residence completed by the relevant Tax Administration is required if there is no specific Formulario de Devolución for the beneficial owners' country of residence.

When you have received the Certification of Residency, please send **<u>both</u>** the J.P.Morgan Filing Cover Letter and Certification of Residency **<u>together</u>** to:

J.P.Morgan / GlobeTax 90 Broad Street, 16th Floor New York, NY 10004-2205 Attn: Banco Santander

ESP Electronic Submission Portal

powered by GLOBETAX

J.P.Morgan, now offers ESP powered by GlobeTax, an electronic withholding tax submission system. This system allows for the secure and simplified transfer of beneficial owner level data from the Participant to J.P.Morgan and creates applicable documentation on the Participants behalf.

Submit the data online through the web site below, print out the documents on letterhead and sign them, and mail to J.P.Morgan / GlobeTax along with the necessary Certification of Residency (Form 6166 for U.S. entities). To be qualified under the quick refund process the hard copy documentation must be received by December 30, 2009 but claims can generally be submitted through the system until November 1, 2013 for the standard refund process.

These claims should be submitted through the following web site. (Requires a one-time registration)

https://www.globetaxesp.com

Please contact Mr. Alex Pinho at 1-800-929-5484 if you have any questions about this process.

STANDARD (LONG-FORM) PROCEDURES FOR U.S. & NON-U.S. RESIDENTS

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS – <u>U.S. RESIDENTS</u> (required for each Beneficial Owner)

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- 2. <u>CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY:</u> U.S. residents need to submit an <u>ORIGINAL</u> IRS Form 6166 signed and stamped by the Internal Revenue Service, which will verify the Beneficial Owner's name, tax identification number, and status as a resident of the United States. This Form 6166 must mention the Double Taxation Agreement between the United States and Spain and must be dated 1 year prior to December 30, 2009 or cite "Tax Year: 2009".

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS – <u>NON-U.S. RESIDENTS</u> (required for each Beneficial Owner)

- 1. <u>J.P.MORGAN FILING COVER LETTER</u>: This cover letter <u>must</u> be submitted on the company letterhead of the DTC Participant. The cover letter should state the <u>name</u>, <u>address</u>, <u>fiscal residence</u>, <u>taxpayer I.D.</u>, <u>number of ADR shares</u>, <u>and the amount to be</u> <u>refunded</u> for each ADR beneficial owner on the record date for which a claim is submitted. The format for the cover letter can be found in the following pages of this notice.
- 2. <u>CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCY:</u> An <u>ORIGINAL</u> PETICION DE DEVOLUCION will be required for any non-U.S. entity whose country of residence has formally agreed to the use of such forms (these countries are denoted with a * below). A stand-alone Certification of Residence completed by the relevant Tax Administration is required if there is no specific PETICION DE DEVOLUCION for the beneficial owners' country of residence.

When you have received the Certification of Residency, please send <u>both</u> the J.P.Morgan Filing Cover Letter and Certification of Residency <u>together</u> to:

J.P.Morgan / GlobeTax 90 Broad Street, 16th Floor New York, NY 10004-2205 Attn: Iberdrola S.A.

All DTC Participants who wish to file a request for a refund of excess withholding tax must submit the required documentation to the above address <u>no later than December 30, 2009 by</u> <u>5 PM EST</u>.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: Shareholders who are residents outside of the U.S. are not eligible to claim via the Quick Refund Process, however they may file claims via the Standard Process. The Non-U.S. treaty rates are as follows:

<u>15% WITHHOLDING TAX:</u>

Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria*, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Belarus, Bolivia, Bulgaria, Brazil, Canada, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Denmark*, Ecuador, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany*, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Korea, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Mexico, Moldavia, Moroco, Netherlands*, New Zealand, Norway, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden*, Switzerland*, Tajikistan, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, United Kingdom*, Uzbekistan, and Vietnam

10% WITHHOLDING TAX:

Chile, China, Greece, Israel, Malta, Thailand, Venezuela

FILING DEADLINES:

The filing deadline for the quick process is <u>December 30, 2009 by 5 P.M. EST</u> for receipt by J.P.Morgan / GlobeTax. The final deadline for the standard process is <u>November 1, 2013 by 5 P.M. EST</u> for receipt by J.P.Morgan / GlobeTax.

QUICK REFUND PROCESSING IS SUBJECT TO A TAX RELIEF FEE OF \$0.0035 PER ADS CHARGED ON A PER BENEFICIAL OWNER BASIS IN ADDITION TO ANY FEES CHARGED TO J.P.MORGAN TO FACILITATE THE RECLAIM.

STANDARD TAX RECLAIM PROCESSING IS SUBJECT TO A TAX RELIEF FEE OF \$0.005 PER ADS WITH A MINIMUM TAX RECLAMATION PROCESSING FEE OF \$25.00 IN ADDITION TO ANY FEES CHARGED TO J.P.MORGAN TO FACILITATE THE RECLAIM.

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SAMPLE FORMAT FOR COVER LETTER TO J.P.MORGAN / GLOBETAX CLAIMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THIS COVER LETTER

[DATE]

J.P.Morgan / GlobeTax 90 Broad Street, 16th Floor New York, NY 10004-2205 Attn.: Iberdrola S.A.

Enclosed please find tax reclamation documents which we have submitted on behalf of our clients who have had excess tax withheld on Spanish ADRs. We, [NAME OF DTC PARTICIPANT] , also identified as DTC participant number [DTC PARTICIPANT NUMBER], hereby state that each beneficial owner cited below held the respective amount of shares on the record date of December 29, 2009 for the security Iberdrola S.A.

Below is the list of beneficial owners and their holdings. As required, original Certification of Residency, issued 1 year prior to **December 30, 2009** or citing tax year **2009** (for each beneficial owner) needs to be attached. **The ratio is 4 Ordinary Shares to 1 ADR share.** The information is as follows:

Name & address	<u>Fiscal residence</u> <u>TIN/SSN</u>	<u># of ADR shares</u>	Refund Amount
1)			
2)			
3)			
4) etc.			
		Grand Total	

We ask that J.P.Morgan, as Depositary, present these excess withholding tax refund requests on behalf of the above beneficial owners. Please contact the undersigned at [SIGNATORY'S TELEPHONE NUMBER], or via email at [SIGNATORY'S EMAIL ADDRESS] should you have any questions.

Indemnification

In consideration of the services provided by J.P.Morgan contemplated hereby and the assistance provided by the issuer of the shares underlying the ADRs (the "Issuer"), we agree to indemnify, defend, hold and save J.P.Morgan , the Issuer and their respective affiliates, and the respective directors, officers, agents and employees of J.P.Morgan , the Issuer and each of their affiliates from and against any and all costs, damages or liabilities (including, without limitation, tax payments, interest charges, penalties or other costs assessed by relevant tax and administrative authorities, and the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel) as a result of any deficiency or inaccuracy in the information provided in or in connection with this document.

Sincerely,

[Signature of authorized signatory for DTC Participant]	
[NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICER FOR DTC PARTICIPANT]

PAYMENT ADDRESS: _____

The list of tax-exempt entities for the Spanish Authorities is the following:

African Development Bank Asian Development Bank European Bank for Reconstruction and Development European Central Bank European Investment Bank **European Monetary Institute European Patent Organization** European Space Agency **European** Union Inter-American Development Bank International Atomic Energy Agency International Bank of Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) International Civil Aviation Organisation International Development Association International Financial Corporation International Fund for Agricultural Development International Labour Organisation (ILO) International Maritime Organisation International Monetary Fund (IMF) International Oil Council International Telecommunications Union North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) **Spanish Red Cross** United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) United Nations (UN) United Nations Refugee Agency United Nations Education, Science and Culture Organisation (UNESCO) United Nations Food and Agricultural Organisation United Nations World Food Program Universal Postal Union World Health Organisation (WHO) World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) World Tourism Organisation (WTO) World Trade Organisation World Weather Organisation