SEMAPA - Sociedade de Investimento e Gestão, SGPS, S.A.

Public Limited Company

Registered Offices: Avenida Fontes Pereira de Melo, nº 14, 10º, Lisboa

Share Capital: 118,332,445 Euros

Corporate Person and Lisbon Companies Registry no.: 502593130

PRIVILEGED INFORMATION

Under the terms and for the purposes of Article 248 of the Securities Code, SEMAPA hereby

discloses that, insofar as it understands that the conditions required for this purpose under the

terms of the shareholders' agreement concluded with CRH Plc, in relation to its subsidiary SECIL -

Companhia Portuguesa de Cal e Cimento, S.A. are met, it has initiated a set of procedures with a

view to a valuation of SECIL and to the possible exercise of a right of option to purchase all the

shares representing the share capital of SECIL held by CRH, for a price calculated on the basis of

such valuation. CRH has notified SEMAPA that it will contest the said procedures through

arbitration in accordance with the terms of the shareholders agreement.

At the present date, SEMAPA holds, directly and indirectly, 49.67% of the share capital of SECIL

and 51% of the corresponding voting rights and CRH holds, directly and indirectly, 45.126% of the

respective share capital and 49% of the voting rights.

Any decision on the exercise of the said right of option to purchase can only be taken after

conclusion of the valuation process referred to above.

Lisbon, 28 October 2009

The Directors