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Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of March 2009

Aracruz Celulose S.A.

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(Translation of Registrant\(\sigma\) name into English)

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São Paulo, SP 01452-000, Brazil

(Address of principal executive office)

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Aracruz Celulose S.A. and Subsidiaries

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Financial Statements for the Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 and Independent Auditors Report

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Auditores Independentes

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

(Convenience Translation into English of original previously issued in Portuguese)

To the Shareholders, Board Members and Directors of Aracruz Celulose S.A.

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- We have audited the accompanying balance sheets (*company and consolidated*) of Aracruz Celulose S.A. (Company) as of December 31, 2008, and the related statements of operations, changes in shareholders—equity (*company*), of cash flows and of value added for the year then ended, all expressed in Brazilian reais and prepared under the responsibility of the Company s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements.
- Our audit was conducted in accordance with auditing standards in Brazil and comprised: (a) planning of the work, taking into consideration the significance of the balances, volume of transactions, and the accounting and internal control systems of the Company, (b) checking, on a test basis, the evidence and records that support the amounts and accounting information disclosed, and (c) evaluating the significant accounting practices and estimates adopted by management, as well as the presentation of the financial statements taken as a whole.
- 3. For the reasons disclosed in note 2 (b) to the financial statements, the Company, with the concurrence of the Brazilian Securities and Exchange Commission (CVM), decided to postpone from December 31, 2008 to December 31, 2009 the adoption of procedures for the definition of its functional currency under Brazilian Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. The Company therefore prepared its financial statements and related disclosures in accordance with the functional currency practices in use through December 31, 2007, prior to the approval of Technical Pronouncement CPC 02 (Effects of the Changes of Exchange Rates and Conversion of Financial Statements) by CVM Ruling 534/08. This ruling made it obligatory for publicly quoted companies to adopt CPC 02 effective in the year ended December 30, 2008. The concurrence of the CVM with the postponement of the adoption of this accounting standard was granted to the Company without modifying, however, the stated standard or its effectiveness for 2008.
- 4. On December 31, 2008, long-term liabilities of the *company* totaled R\$5,287,523 thousands and *consolidated* long-term liabilities amounted to R\$ 8,744,231 thousands, relating to the debt arising on transactions with derivative Financial Instruments, and to financing obtained in the normal course of business. As described in note 14 (c), (d) and (e): (i) a pre contract (which management believes to be binding, based upon the opinions of external attorneys) was entered into with the creditors of the liability arising from transactions with derivatives, to which each of the creditors adhered individually, and which establishes the basic conditions under which management expects to conclude the negotiation of this debt and (ii) the Company has received proposals to adapt or exempt from compliance of the financial covenants with which the Company is not in compliance as of December 31, 2008, in respect of the financing obtained in the normal course of operations.

Through the date of this opinion there are no final contracts signed between the parties which ratify these terms and conditions.

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In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter mentioned in paragraph 3 and except for the potential effects, if any, of the matter mentioned in paragraph 4, the financial statements referred to in paragraph 1 above represent adequately, in all material respects, the financial position of Aracruz Celulose S.A. (*company and consolidated*) as of December 31, 2008, the results of its operations, the changes in shareholders—equity (*company*), the statements of cash flows and of value added for the year then ended in conformity with Brazilian accounting practices.

- 6. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared assuming that the Company will continue as a going concern. As discussed in Note 2 (a) to the financial statements, as a result of the losses generated in 2008 on transactions with derivative Financial Instruments, there was a substantial increase in the liabilities of the Company as of December 31 2008. Additionally, as described in paragraph 4 above and in note 14 (c) and (d), discussions are being held with creditors to renegotiate the terms and conditions for payment of debt.

 Management plans on this matter, as well as the plans to support the additional financial burden resulting from the debt arising from Financial Instruments transactions are also described in note 2 (a). The ability of the Company to continue as a going concern depends on the successful execution of these plans. The financial statements do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.
- 7. We have previously audited the financial statements (*company and consolidated*) for the year ended December 31, 2007, presented for comparison purposes, covering the balance sheet, the statements of operations, of changes in shareholders—equity (*company*), of cash flows and of value added, on which we have issued an unqualified opinion, dated January 10, 2008. As mentioned in note 2 (b), Brazilian accounting practices were altered as from January 1, 2008. The financial statements relating to the year ended December 31, 2007, presented in conjunction with those of 2008, were prepared in accordance with Brazilian accounting practices applicable through December 31, 2007 and, as permitted by Technical Pronouncement CPC 13 (Initial Adoption of Law 11,638/07 and of Provisional Measure No. 449/08), are not being represented with the adjustments for purposes of comparison between years.
- 8. The accompanying financial statements have been translated into English for the convenience of readers outside Brazil.

Rio de Janeiro, March 26, 2009

Original signed by:

DELOITTE TOUCHE TOHMATSU

Auditores Independentes

José Carlos Monteiro Engagement Partner

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Aracruz Celulose S.A. and Subsidiaries Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2008 and 2007 (In thousands of Brazilian reais R\$)

(In thousands of Brazilian reals	•Ψ)						
		Company		Consolidated			Company
Assets	2008	2007	2008	2007	Liabilities and shareholders eq	uity 2008	2007
Current assets					Current liabilities		
Cash and cash equivalents	2,028	2,045	20,126	21,553	Trade accounts payable	171,182	143,792
Cash investments			120,797	73,602	Loans and financing	459,004	166,608
Derivatives				6,053	Derivatives	76,525	
Short-term investments	827,885	713,582	862,030	779,266	Advances from subsidiary	21,093	44,701
Trade accounts receivable	650,769	205,928	654,433	604,835	Dividends/interest on capital	2,220	280,586
Inventories	272,815	196,330	677,859	485,034	Income tax and social contribution	n 80,433	28,928
Tax credits	264,490	239,343	370,431	289,312	Other	64,838	73,283
Advances to suppliers	1,723	4,052	2,422	4,973			
Other receivables	56,762	44,719	78,828	57,112		875,295	737,898
Other	15,752	21,232	34,520	36,332			
					Noncurrent liabilities		
	2,092,224	1,427,231	2,821,446	2,358,072	Loans and financing	5,287,523	2,230,553
					Derivatives	54,842	
Noncurrent assets					Advances from subsidiary	2,613,269	1,333,845

Long-term assets					Deferred income tax and			
Long-term investments	6,315	6,112	6,315	6,112	social contribution			301,597
Derivatives		52,605		52,605	Reserve for contingencies and			
Accounts receivable	37,329	43,699	53,258	68,839	legal obligations under litigation	n	442,799	485,326
Advances to suppliers	264,645	242,603	292,979	265,214	Other		112,642	79,026
Subsidiaries	354	423						
							8,511,075	4,430,347
Deferred income tax and social contribution	309,952		842,847					
Tax credits	35,227	114,424	88,587	162,143				
Escrow deposits	12,218	11,896	21,147	17,764	Minority interest			
Other			2,144					
	666,040	471,762	1,307,277	572,677				
					Shareholders equity			
Permanent Assets					Capital		2,871,781	2,871,781
Investments	1,657,144	3,368,347	19,605	21,563	Capital reserve			162,209
Property, plant and equipment	5,862,272	5,134,178	7,663,244	6,768,949	Earnings reserves			2,378,239
Deferred charges		1,105		46,666	Accumulated losses		(1,915,197)	
Intangible assets	56,288	168,865	56,288	168,865	Treasury shares		(8,986)	(8,986)
	7,575,704	8,672,495	7,739,137	7,006,043			947,598	5,403,243
Total assets	10,333,968	10,571,488	11,867,860	9,936,792	Total liabilities and shareholders	equity	10,333,968	10,571,488

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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Aracruz Celulose S.A. and Subsidiaries

Statements of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 (In thousands of Brazilian reais R\$, except per share data)

		Company		Consolidated
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Gross sales				
Foreign market	2,386,210	2,277,461	3,857,730	4,082,376
Domestic market	227,227	234,375	276,900	269,799
	2,613,437	2,511,836	4,134,630	4,352,175
Taxes and other sales deductions	(41,389)	(44,884)	(437,700)	(505,262)
Net sales	2,572,048	2,466,952	3,696,930	3,846,913
Cost of sales	(1,930,951)	(1,831,176)	(2,545,012)	(2,470,791)
Gross profit	641,097	635,776	1,151,918	1,376,122
Operating expenses (income)				
Selling	56,912	66,059	177,663	169,906
Administrative	106,275	101,915	138,485	128,229
Financial (Note 24)				
Expenses	1,942,171	25,305	1,641,709	185,553
Income	(208,003)	(78,574)	(412,682)	(16,084)
(Gains) losses on derivative transactions	1,586,653	(199,387)	4,695,569	(199,387)

Equity in subsidiaries	1,902,472	(268,160)	1,958	1,322
Other expenses (income), net (Note 25)	234,667	41,336	262,234	75,524
	5,621,147	(311,506)	6,504,936	345,063
Income (loss) from operations	(4,980,050)	947,282	(5,353,018)	1,031,059
Income (loss) before income tax and social				
contribution, minority interest and reversal of interest on capital	(4,980,050)	947,282	(5,353,018)	1,031,059
Income tax and social contribution	554,475	(225,565)	988,096	(285,804)
Income (loss) before minority interest and reversal of interest on capital	(4,425,575)	721,717	(4,364,922)	745,255
Minority interest			(3,533)	(1,951)
Income (loss) before reversal of interest on capital	(4,425,575)	721,717	(4,368,455)	743,304
Reversal of interest on capital	155,000	298,900	155,000	298,900
Net income (loss) for the year	(4,270,575)	1,020,617	(4,213,455)	1,042,204
Earnings (loss) per thousand shares R\$	(4,143.82)	990.33		

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Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity (Company) (In thousands of Brazilian reais R\$)

		Capital reserve	Earni	ngs reserves			
	Capital	Tax incentives	Legal	Investment	Retained earnings (accumulated losses)	Treasury shares	Tota
As of December 31, 2006	1,854,507	162,209	338,454	2,533,327		(8,986)	4,879,5
Net income					1,020,617		1,020,6
Recognition of reserves			51,031	470,686	(521,717)		
Capitalization of reserves	1,017,274			(1,017,274)			
Reversal of dividends				2,015			2,0
Proposed dividends and interest on capital							
proposed and prepaid (Note 17(b))					(498,900)		(498,9
As of December 31, 2007	2,871,781	162,209	389,485	1,988,754		(8,986)	5,403,2
Prior year adjustment change in Criteria in							
conformity with Provisional Measure 449/08					(30,070)		(30,0
Loss for the year					(4,270,575)		(4,270,5
Use of reserves to absorb losses		(162,209)	(389,485)	(1,988,754)	2,540,448		
Interest on shareholders equity							
(Note 17 (b))					(155,000)		(155,0
As of December 31, 2008	2,871,781				(1,915,197)	(8,986)	947,5

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Statements of Cash Flows for the Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 (In thousands of Brazilian reais R\$)

		Company	Co	nsolidated
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Cash flows from operating activities				
Net income (loss) for the year	(4,270,575)	1,020,617	(4,213,455)	1,042,204
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities				
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	596,779	555,613	696,569	661,758
Equity in subsidiaries	1,902,472	(268,160)	1,958	1,322
(Gains) losses on derivative transactions	1,756,305	(52,605)	4,727,457	(58,658)
Deferred income tax and social contribution	(611,549)	196,303	(1,051,512)	203,644
Inflation adjustment and exchange rate changes	1,396,181	(525,510)	917,513	(288,715)
Reserve for contingencies, net	34,258	121,635	33,635	133,195
Allowance for (reversal of) losses on tax credits	135,804	(104,925)	141,640	(84,425)
Net book value of permanent assets written off	(19,804)	5,001	3,866	9,045
Decrease (increase) in assets				
Short-term investments earned income	(74,442)	(35,649)	(66,997)	(17,510)
Accounts receivable	(371,573)	(219,061)	73,014	(183,521)
Inventories	(76,485)	16,800	(188,150)	13,059
Tax credits	(81,754)	9,845	(118,930)	9,148
Other	6,610	11,708	(1,430)	(2,174)
Increase (decrease) in liabilities				
Trade accounts payable	63,417	4,474	122,454	11,945
Advance from subsidiaries (includes interest)	675,151	881,469		
Interest on loans and financing	46,447	(9,690)	62,664	(22,906)
Income tax and social contribution	51,505	(28,770)	58,614	(25,838)
Reserve for contingencies	(77,051)	(80,321)	(77,563)	(81,752)
Other	(13,990)	21,756	(6,395)	22,808
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,067,706	1,520,530	1,114,952	1,342,629

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Statements of Cash Flows

for the Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 (In thousands of Brazilian reais R\$)

		Company		Consolidated
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Cash flows from investing activities				
Short- and long-term investments				
Additions	(234,208)	(196,329)	(371,357)	(208,714)
Redemptions	194,144	233,361	360,323	581,594
Permanent assets:				
Investments	(132,434)	(255,410)		
Property, plant and equipment	(1,218,255)	(1,040,042)	(1,426,640)	(1,194,223)
Acquisition of subsidiary less cash in the acquisitions	(73,215)		(73,215)	
Proceeds from sale of permanent assets	10,900	1,020	16,003	2,936
Net cash used in investing activities				
	(1,453,068)	(1,257,400)	(1,494,886)	(818,407)
Cash flows from financing activities				
Loans and financing				
Additions	2,002,303	2,412,247	2,003,553	2,418,347
Payments	(1,183,654)	(2,214,452)	(1,189,984)	(2,476,212)
Dividends/interest on capital	(433,366)	(461,432)	(433,366)	(461,432)
Net cash provided by financing activities	385,283	(263,637)	380,203	(519,297)
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	62	816	45,499	(13,679)
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents, net	(17)	309	45,768	(8,754)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	2,045	1,736	95,155	103,909
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	2,028	2,045	140,923	95,155
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Aracruz Celulose S.A. and Subsidiaries

Statements of Value Added for the Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007 (In thousands of Brazilian reais R\$)

			Comp	any
	2008	%	2007	%
Revenues				
Sale of products and services	2,613,197		2,511,544	
Other revenues	61,372		41,663	

Inputs purchased from third parties

Cost of sales and services	(1,244,388)		(1,208,493)	
Materials, electric power, outside services and other	(323,294)		(218,518)	
Gross value added	1,106,887		1,126,196	
Retentions				
Depreciation, amortization, and depletion	(596,779)		(555,613)	
Wealth created	510,108		570,583	
Wealth received in transfer				
Financial income includes gains (losses) on derivatives andnflation and foreign exchange gains (losses)	(1,378,650)		277,960	
Equity in subsidiaries	(1,902,472)		268,160	
	(3,281,122)		546,120	
Wealth for distribution (loss)	(2,771,014)	100	1,116,703	100
Distribution of wealth (loss)				
Employees				
Salaries and wages	157,057	6	154,246	14
Benefits	70,585	3	80,157	7
Severance pay fund (FGTS)	11,229		9,935	1
Taxes and contributions				