

PRESS RELEASE

ENEL DISTRIBUZIONE: AUTHORITY'S ACCUSATIONS UNJUSTIFIED

Rome, August 7, 2001 – Enel Distribuzione, with reference to the Authority's deliberation regarding the connection of new power plants to the national power grid, rejects the accusation of having put in place practices damaging to third parties or prejudicial to the liberalization process.

In the absence of specific regulations or indications from the Authority, Enel Distribuzione applied the rules which are valid for network users in general, without imposing any discriminatory or excessive measure towards producers.

Enel Distribuzione reserves the right to take actions in defense of its interests in the relevant judicial context.