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that the Company's Board of Directors decided in a meeting held on December 17, 2002 to revoke the authorization for the Company to purchase shares of its own stock. Such authorization was the object of a notice to shareholders published by TCO on November 11, 2002. The decision was based on the fact that TCO's stock repurchase program has met its goals. Therefore, as of this date and until the approval of a new authorization by the Board of Directors, TCO is forbidden to buy and/or sell shares of its own stock.

Brasilia, December 17, 2002.

MARIO CESAR PEREIRA DE ARAUJO

President and Director of Investor Relations

MINUTES OF THE 178th (ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHTH) EXTRAORDINARY BOARD MEETING

1. DATE, TIME, AND LOCATION OF THE MEETING: The meeting was held at 09:00 (nine hundred hours) on December 17, 2002, at the Company's headquarters, located at SETOR COMERCIAL SUL, QUADRA 02, BLOCO C, N 226, EDIFICIO TELEBRASILIA CELULAR, 7 ANDAR, CEP 70302-916, in the city of Brasilia, in the Federal District of Brazil. 2. CALL FOR ATTENDANCE: The meeting was called by Mr. ALEXANDRE BELDI NETTO, Chairman of the Company's Board of Directors. 3. OPENING: The meeting opened with the presence of all members of the Board of Directors. 4. THE BOARD: Mr. Alexandre Beldi Netto, chairman of the Company's Board of Directors conducted the proceedings, and invited Mr. Mario Cesar Pereira de Araujo to act as secretary. 5. DELIBERATIONS: The members of the Board of Directors unanimously and with no restrictions decided to revoke the authorization for the Company to purchase shares of its own stock, as had been approved by the Extraordinary Board Meeting held on November 08, 2002, given that the Company's Stock Repurchase Program has met its goals. Therefore, as of this date and until the approval of a new authorization by the Board of Directors, the company is forbidden to buy and/or sell shares of its own stock. CLOSING: With no further issues to address, the assembly was closed and the present minutes were drawn, read and considered appropriate and signed by all the present members. Brasilia-DF, December 17, 2002.

ALEXANDRE BELDI NETTO
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MARCO ANTONIO BELDI
BOARD MEMBER

ANTONIO FABIO BELDI
BOARD MEMBER

MARIO CESAR PEREIRA DE ARAUJO
BOARD MEMBER

NELSON GUARNIERI DE LARA
BOARD MEMBER

ARALDO ALEXANDRE M. DE SOUZA
BOARD MEMBER

RICARDO DE SOUZA ADENES
BOARD MEMBER

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Tele Centro Oeste Cellular Holding Company

Date: December 18, 2002

By: /S/ MARIO CESAR PEREIRA DE ARAUJO

Name: Mario Cesar Pereira de Araujo
Title: President