

Espírito Santo Investment Bank leads bond issue of largest Mexican construction company

US\$700 million dollar bond issue with a 10 year maturity Espírito Santo Investment Bank (ESIB) was Joint Bookrunner on a US\$700 million bond issue by Empresas ICA, SAB de CV" (ICA), the largest Mexican construction company. The notes have a maturity of 10 years (non redeemable for 5 years) and pay a coupon of 8.875%. The issue increased ICA's liquidity and extended the maturity of its debt. The proceeds will be used to finance the repurchase of bonds maturing in 2017 and for the early repayment of other debts.

The offer's Joint Bookrunners conducted an extensive roadshow that included the cities of New York, London and Santiago. The order book opened on May 20th with an initial guidance of mid-9% yield for a benchmark amount transaction. The following day the Bookrunners announced a price guidance of 9.25%-area.

With demand reaching approximately US\$2.6 billion, the issue's final rate was lowered to 9.20% per year and the final amount increased by US\$2 million based on an expected transaction of US\$5 million.

This issue was the largest ever made by Empresas ICA, SAB de CV. The company was founded in 1947 and operates in the US, Europe and Mexico.