

El Depósito Central de Valores, (DCV). History.



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Between 1993 and 1995, DCV closely worked with SVS, SBIF, underwriters and issuers in general in the development of the services that would be later provided to the stock market.

Early in 1995, DCV moves to 770 Huérfanos Street, Floors -1 and 17, which becomes the first milestone in the company. In May 1995, 100% of the securities held under custody by the Central Bank of Chile are transferred to DCV for custody.

During 1996, our organization consolidates as a relevant player, receiving under custody a large amount of securities. The main activities during this year consisted in increasing the fixed-income security volumes held under custody and starting up the computer transaction recording system. Both assignments were 100% completed.

The achievements of 1997 finally positioned DCV as a strategic organization in the development of the Chilean stock market.

In 1997, the company held under deposit 100% of the fixed-income and variable-income instruments traded on the market, thus significantly increasing the volumes under custody during that year. As of December 1997, deposits amounted to MMUF 1,294, representing 80% increase over 1996.

DCV consolidation has contributed to streamline the local stock market, eliminating practices that remained unchanged for many years and providing the capability to operate with securities in safer and more efficient environments.

In 1998, the following services were provided:

- Centralization of active members' old social security system contribution certificates.
- Clearing of sale transactions registered in stock exchanges.
- Recording of transactions and custody of ADR-representative stocks.

El año 1999 se consolidan los servicios de liquidación compensada de las transacciones conThe clearing services for stock transactions among stock brokers as well as the management of active participants of old social security system contribution certificates in inventory accounts are consolidated in 1999. The first one covered 100% in August, with average volumes of 15,000 monthly settled transactions. The second one, a service solely available for Pension Fund Associations (AFP), centralized a total of 1.1 million old social security system contribution certificates.

The big purpose of our company in 2000 was the modernization of the stock market. The dissemination, analysis of concepts, and operation modes for the settlement of stock market transactions - and the review of models commonly



used on more developed markets - were and will be activities included in DCV agenda. The above, geared by the continuous commitment

to upgrading the local systems and the conviction that the globalization will lead the Chilean market to adopt such standards in the short or medium run.

In the international integration field, in 2000, the company began to explore other markets to reach reciprocal agreements with foreign security deposit companies for the settlement of cross-border transactions. The above directly benefits Chilean people investing abroad and foreigners investing in the Chilean market. With this idea in mind, that year our company contacts The Depository Trust Company, USA, Caja de Valores de Argentina, and Servicio de Compensación y Liquidación de Valores, Spain.

In 2000, we joined the Asociación de Depósitos Centrales de Valores de América (ACSDA), being actively involved in their Executive Committee and work groups, which has allowed DCV to be continuously aware of the international trends regarding stock market infrastructure, promoting those which should be adopted in Chile.

By mid-2000, the DCV Registros S.A. affiliate is established with a view to managing registers of corporation's shareholders and investment fund's contributors under Law 18,876. During 2001, and always concerned for the modernization and adoption of the best International practices on security custody and transaction clearing and settlement, we continued to participate in the discussion related with the implementation of an electric payment system for the local stock market.

Throughout its history, DCV has strived for being one of the main players in the modernization of the Chilean capital market infrastructure, a condition necessary for its integration to international sites. The outcomes to date show the deep changes generated by our company and the consequential benefit for all market agents, which have achieved significant reductions in costs and risks for their transactions.

For the transaction settlement system modernization, DCV developed in 2000 extensive dissemination work among authorities and users regarding the difficulties faced by the stock market for its failure to meet international standard requirements (in particular, the payment against delivery or the "Delivery versus Payment" - DvP) resulting from the absence of electronic fund payment systems for high value transactions.

In 2001, DCV joins ANNA (Association of National Numbering Agencies), an organization enforcing the standardization of the ISIN (International Securities Identification Number) code, a symbol internationally used for values in the information exchange among countries.

Finally, in the international field and with a view to sharing experiences and contribute to the region integration, our company was actively involved,



through ACSDA (America's Central Securities Depositories Association), in the organization of the seminar "Best Achievements in Custody, Clearing and Settlement Services in the Americas", developed in Panama.

Late in 2001, DCV Registros S.A. affiliate completes the purchase of COMBER y Cía. Servicios Accionarios, whereby 40 corporations and pension funds are incorporated into the shareholder register management portfolio. Late in 2001, a total of 91 issuers had hired these services with DCV, which favorably compares with the 42 issuers recorded by the end of 2000. This growth

was also expressed in the number of shareholders managed, which increased by 61%, going from 92,000 by the end of 2000 to 148,000 shareholders late this year.

In 2002 numerous arrangements were completed for the full dematerialization of the Chilean market security issuances, highlighting the Chilean Central Bank's effort to go forward in this direction, extending the dematerialization to all its issuances. By the end of the year, the first dematerialized issuances of corporations' bonds and securitized bonds were completed.

During 2002, DCV Registros captured 8 new clients, reaching a total of 108 registers under management. The management of these new users increased the shareholder portfolio by 5.4% more than the number at closing 2001.

In the international field and with a view to continuing to share experiences and contribute to the region integration, DCV again participated, through ACSDA, in the organization of the seminar "Next Challenges in Custody, Clearing and Settlement Services", developed in Peru.

DCV has been the only institution in the country in driving the Dematerialization System for direct benefit of the stock market.

During 2003, most efforts were directed to have the securities traded on the Chilean market completely managed under the dematerialization system. This modality has been available since 1998, when the Central Bank of Chile started to issue PRBC and PDBC on a dematerialized basis. Later, some regulations were upgraded and banks were authorized to issue credit notes and fixed time deposits under this interesting mechanism.

During those years, DCV already obtained a favorable response for the initiative, which led this company to propose in 2003 the full dematerialization of securities as of June 2004. Within this context, it was established that effective January 1, 2004, all issuances of such instruments without legal impediments would be accepted for deposit only on a dematerialized basis.

Likewise, effective July 1, 2004, all issuances prior to January 1, 2004 were accepted for deposit only on a dematerialized basis, thus discontinuing the entry of physical instruments to the vault of our company. This initiative was proposed by DCV in July 2003 and has involved the dematerialization of more





than one million physical instruments belonging to banking and financial institutions.

To continue to share experiences and contribute to the region integration, DCV participated in the ACSDA seminar "Creation of a Robust Global Network to Mitigate Risk, making the Corporate Management and the Regulation more efficient," this time in the city of Johannesburg, South Africa.

In October 2001, DCV undertook the assignment and dissemination of the ISIN code for Chilean security issuances. The authorization as National Numbering Agency derived from its registration as a member of ANNA, which is based on the international standard ISO 6166. The ISIN code provides securities with a single identification code used in the custody and settlement of securities on the International market.

