

## **ENDESA IS FIRST AENOR-CERTIFIED "ZERO WASTE" ELECTRICITY COMPANY IN DISTRIBUTION ACTIVITIES**

- **e-distribution, the distribution subsidiary of Endesa, has received "Zero Waste" certification in Aragon, Castilla León and Galicia for recovering 93% of the waste generated**
- **This recognition confirms Endesa's commitment to the circular economy**

**Madrid, May 25, 2021** - Endesa has received "Zero Waste" certification from AENOR for waste generated in the activities carried out by its distribution subsidiary, e-distribution, in Aragon, Castilla y León and Galicia. This is the first time that an electricity distributor in Spain has received this certification, which recognises organisations that are committed to sustainability when undertaking their activity and that recover the waste they generate, thus preventing it from ending up in landfill.

This AENOR accreditation involves assessing and documenting the traceability of more than 90% of the waste from the production centre to the final destination. In the case of e-distribución, AENOR has certified that almost 93% of the 395,802 kilos of waste generated in 2019 by e-distribution throughout the Autonomous Community of Aragón and in the towns of Castilla y León and Galicia where it carries out its activity were recovered and avoided ending up in a landfill. In this way, more than 367,000 kilos of waste were treated and given a second life.

Obtaining this certificate involves verifying all the environmental authorisations of the waste managers involved in the process (intermediate or final managers), making an inventory of all the waste generated, identifying types and quantities, and documenting the entire process of tracing the waste to its final destination and treatment. This is a particularly complex process in the case of e-distribution, bearing in mind that it carries out its activity in multiple locations.



In most cases, waste recovery consisted of recycling or recovering metals and metal compounds, followed by recycling or recovering substances such as solvents or regenerating oils. The more than 257 tonnes of metal waste recycled in the Aragon division that have been given a second life have prevented at least 514 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> from being emitted into the atmosphere.

Specifically, around half of the waste treated corresponded to iron, sheet metal, copper and aluminium, but meters, oils, wood, batteries and porcelain, among other types of waste, were also recovered.

Obtaining "Zero Waste" certification is part of Endesa's commitment to the circular economy and the sustainability of economic activity based on the principles of reduce, reuse, recycle and recover. Endesa's vision of the circular economy extends throughout the entire value chain, from the use of sustainable resources (renewable, reusable and recyclable), to maximising the useful life of goods and products and recovering assets at the end of their life cycle.

### **About AENOR**

AENOR is a company engaged in professional services that identifies and helps to correct the competitiveness gaps of companies, industries and the economic fabric, contributing to the transformation of society by creating trust in companies and people. AENOR is the leading certification body in Spain.

As a global entity, it operates in 90 countries in the fields of certification, verification, validation, inspection, analysis, training and information services. Currently, more than 82,000 workplaces have one of the AENOR certificates in fields such as Quality Management, Sustainability, Occupational Health and Safety Digital Transformation, Animal Welfare, Verification of Non-Financial Information and Compliance.

### **About Endesa**

Endesa is the largest electricity company in Spain and the second largest in Portugal. The company is also the second largest gas operator in the Spanish market. Endesa operates an end-to-end business from generation to marketing and through Endesa X also offers value-added services aimed at the decarbonisation of energy uses in homes, companies, industries and public administrations. Endesa is firmly committed to the United Nations SDGs and therefore strongly supports the development of renewable energies through Enel Green Power España, the electrification of the economy and



Corporate Social Responsibility. The Endesa Foundation is also active in this last area. Our team totals about 9,600 people. Endesa is a division of Enel, Europe's largest electricity group.