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In the MERCO study on Responsibility and Corporate Government, Grupo EPM ranks among the top five national organizations again.

- **The MERCO assesses the companies with the best ethical practices in 2015 through the MERCO Responsibility and Corporate Government ranking.**
- **In the sector rating, Grupo EPM is once again in the top five in the Energy, Gas and Water sector.**

With a total of 9,035 points out of 10,000, EPM remains in the top five of the top 100 most responsible Colombian companies with the best corporate government, according to the results of the MERCO 2015 study.

The Managing Director of EPM, Jorge Londoño De La Cuesta, highlighted the significance of the results, which combine the evaluation of eight expert groups: executive members of the managing committee, trade unions, financial analysts, economic journalists, experts in Social and Corporate Responsibility (SCR), the general public, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and consumer associations.

He highlighted that in the sector ranking, Grupo EPM has once again come out on top in the Colombian Energy, Gas and Water sector, which shows that society perceives the company in a positive light, especially clients and users.

In the rating, aspects such as reputation, ethics, sustainability, productivity, opportunity, solidarity, leadership, transparency and fairness are taken into account, among others. It is observed that for two of the groups consulted, experts in CSR and NGOs, Grupo EPM takes second and first place respectively, while management places the group in fourth position.



MERCO has been measuring the reputation of companies since 2008, based on analyzing their economic and financial results, ethics, social and environmental responsibility, internal reputation, quality of working life, and the commercial offer. It has become one of the worldwide benchmarks in monitoring. It now carries out assessments in nine countries and is endorsed by the Spanish Institute for Analysis and Research, Jaime Arteaga & Asociados and the Colombian National Consulting Center.

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