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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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FORM 6 - K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a - 16 or 15d - 16
under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of June , 2013

Commission File Number 001-35575

Cencosud S.A.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Av. Kennedy 9001, Piso 6
Las Condes, Santiago
Chile
(Address of principal executive office)

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Yes No

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On June 17, 2013, Cencosud S.A. (“Cencosud” or the “Company”) filed an official notice of an essential event (*Hecho Esencial*) (an English translation of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A) with the Chilean Superintendency of Securities and Insurance (*Superintendencia de Valores y Seguros*), or SVS, announcing that Itaú Unibanco Holding S.A. and the Company signed a Memorandum of Understanding for the joint development of a retail financial business in Chile and Argentina.

On June 18, 2013, Cencosud filed an official notice of an essential event (an English translation of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B) with the SVS, providing additional information to further clarify the essential event filed with the SVS on June 17, 2013 (as mentioned above).

This report on Form 6-K contains forward-looking statements. The registrant desires to qualify for the “safe-harbor” provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, and consequently is hereby filing cautionary statements identifying important factors that could cause the registrant’s actual results to differ materially from those set forth in this report. The registrant’s forward-looking statements are based on the registrant’s current expectations, assumptions, estimates and projections concerning the Company, the industries and countries in which it operates. These forward-looking statements can be identified by words or phrases such as “anticipate,” “believe,” “continue,” “estimate,” “expect,” “intend,” “is/are likely to,” “may,” “plan,” “should,” “would,” or other similar expressions. These forward-looking statements include statements with respect to the Company’s plans, strategies, beliefs and other statements that are not historical facts. These statements are based on the Company’s management’s assumptions and beliefs in light of the information currently available to them. These assumptions also involve risks and uncertainties which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Potential risks and uncertainties include, without limitation: (i) changes in general economic, business or political or other conditions in Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Peru, Colombia or elsewhere in Latin America or global markets; (ii) changes in capital markets in general that may affect policies or attitudes towards investing in Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Peru, Colombia or securities issued by companies in such countries; (iii) the monetary and interest rate policies of the Central Banks of Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Peru and Colombia; (iv) high levels of inflation or deflation; (v) unanticipated increases in financing and other costs or our inability to obtain additional debt or equity financing on attractive terms; (vi) movements in interest and/or foreign exchange rates, and movements in equity prices or other rates or prices; (vii) changes in, or failure to comply with, applicable regulations, or changes in taxes; (viii) loss of market share or changes in competition and pricing environments in the industries in which the Company operates; (ix) difficulties in successfully integrating recent and future acquisitions into the Company’s operations; (x) the Company’s inability to hedge certain risks economically; (xi) changes in consumer spending and saving habits; (xii) implementation of new technologies; (xiii) limitations on the Company’s ability to open new stores and operate them profitably; (xiv) difficulties in completing proposed store openings, expansions or remodelings; (xv) difficulties in acquiring and developing land in Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Peru or Colombia, and restrictions on opening new large stores in any such countries; and (xvi) the factors discussed under the rubric “Risk Factors” as well as other risks included in the registrant’s other filings and submissions with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

In light of the risks and uncertainties described above, the estimates and forward-looking statements discussed in this report might not occur, and the registrant’s future results and its performance may differ materially from those expressed in these forward-looking statements due to, inclusive, but not limited to, the factors mentioned above. Because of these uncertainties, you

should not make any investment decision based on these estimates and forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements made in the attached relate only to events or information as of the date on which the statements are made in the attached. The registrant undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which the statements are made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

SIGNATURES

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.

Cencosud S.A.

By /s/ Daniel Rodríguez Cofré

Name: Daniel Rodríguez Cofré

Title: Corporate CEO

Date: June 19, 2013

[Summary English Translation]



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Registered in the Securities Registry No. 743

NOTICE OF ESSENTIAL EVENT

Santiago, Chile, June 17, 2013

Mr. Fernando Coloma Correa
Superintendent of Securities and Insurance

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Articles 9 and 10 of Law No. 18,045 of the Republic of Chile and General Rule No. 30 of the SVS, I am writing to give notice of the following essential event:

Today, Itaú Unibanco Holding S.A., or Itaú Unibanco, and the Company signed a Memorandum of Understanding for the joint development of a retail financial business in Chile and Argentina.

The Memorandum of Understanding sets forth an exclusive 90-day period, renewable for an additional 90 days, to negotiate the final agreements, perform due diligence on Cencosud's retail financial business in both Chile and Argentina and define the main commercial terms of the final agreements, including, among others: (i) a 15-year period, renewable upon agreement between the parties; (ii) a legal structure for the joint venture in Chile and Argentina, where the local affiliate of Itaú Unibanco will own 51% and Cencosud's local affiliate will hold the remaining 49%; (iii) one payment to Cencosud (encompassing both Chile and Argentina) of approximately U.S.\$307 million (subject to certain adjustments); and (iv) the financing of the current and future credit card loan portfolio accounts in the corresponding jurisdictions, under the responsibility of the respective local affiliate of Itaú Unibanco, within the limits that each jurisdiction allows. Currently, credit card loan portfolios in both Chile and Argentina amount to approximately U.S.\$1,300 million.

The completion of this transaction is subject to regulatory approval in Chile, Argentina and Brazil.

Yours Truly,

Daniel Rodríguez Cofré
Corporate CEO
Cencosud S.A.

[Summary English Translation]



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Santiago, Chile, June 18, 2013

Mr. Fernando Coloma Correa
Superintendent of Securities and Insurance

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Articles 9 and 10 of Law No. 18,045 of the Republic of Chile and General Rule No. 30 of the SVS, I am writing to give notice of the following essential event:

Due to conflicting information disclosed on June 17, 2013, regarding the binding Memorandum of Understanding entered into by Itaú Unibanco Holding S.A., or Itaú Unibanco, and the Company, for the joint development of a retail financial business in Chile and Argentina, we are filing this essential event to complement the essential event filed on June 17, 2013, as follows:

1. The Memorandum of Understanding sets forth an exclusive 90-day period, renewable for an additional 90 days, to negotiate the final agreements, perform due diligence on Cencosud's retail financial business in both Chile and Argentina and define the main commercial terms of the final agreements. The parties have agreed that after the aforementioned process, they will enter into

a framework agreement, subject to the approval of the corresponding Brazilian, Chilean and Argentinean regulatory agencies, setting forth the agreements to execute at the close of each one of the transactions, in both Chile and Argentina. Cencosud estimates that the transaction will close within six months from the execution of the framework agreement, depending on the approval of the aforementioned regulatory agencies. A maximum period of 18 months is set forth in the Memorandum of Understanding for the closing of the transaction in each jurisdiction.

2. Closing agreements will set forth, among other matters, the following:

(i) legal structure of the joint venture, which, once established, would become a corporate entity (the “Operational Company”) in Chile and Argentina, where the local affiliate of Itaú Unibanco will own 51% and Cencosud’s local affiliate will hold the remaining 49%. In Chile, the Operational Company will remain Cencosud Administradora de Tarjetas S.A. (“CAT”). In Argentina, the Operational Company will result from a spin-off of Cencosud S.A. (Argentina), a corporation incorporated under the laws of the Republic of Argentina. Cencosud SA. (Argentina) currently develops Cencosud’s credit card business in Argentina.

(ii) a 15-year period of the agreement, renewable upon agreement between the parties. At the end of the 15-year period, or its extension (were both parties to agree on it), the Company or its affiliate would have the right to repurchase shares held by Itaú Unibanco or any of its affiliates in the Operational Companies, in both Chile and Argentina, at book value, calculated as shareholders’ equity divided by shares outstanding of the Joint Venture. According to the agreement, Itaú Unibanco or any of its operational subsidiaries in either Chile or Argentina will have the possibility to divest from the shares held of either of the Joint Ventures after a period of 10 months following the end of the 15-year agreement. Itaú Unibanco or any of its operational subsidiaries in either Chile or Argentina will have a period of eight months to sell back shares held to the Company at book value. Once this eight-month period expires, the Company will once again have the right to repurchase shares held by Itaú Unibanco or by any of its operational subsidiaries in either Chile or Argentina at book value. This process will repeat itself as set forth in periods of ten months and eight months.

(iii) one payment to Cencosud (encompassing both Chile and Argentina) of approximately U.S.\$307 million (subject to certain adjustments) that includes the sale of shares in CAT in the approximate amount of U.S.\$280 million and a capital increase in the Operational Company in Argentina to be set up for this transaction in the approximate amount of U.S.\$27 million.

(iv) at the transaction's closing, Itaú Unibanco, or any subsidiary that Itaú Unibanco deems appropriate, will provide funding via a credit agreement with the Operational Company in both Chile and Argentina for an amount equivalent to that of the existing net credit portfolio at the time of closing under rules and regulations set forth in Chile and Argentina. Both parties believe this should amount to approximately U.S.\$1,300 million. Said amount shall be paid out to Cencosud S.A. or any of its subsidiaries by the Operational Companies to cancel all receivables held by Cencosud S.A. or any of its subsidiaries with the Operational Companies.

3. Proceeds of this transaction will be used to strengthen Cencosud's balance sheet, with the intention of improving financial ratios, in line with the Company's commitment to maintaining its investment grade rating. If this transaction were carried out today, (i) 100% of financial debt held by Cencosud S.A. (Argentina), which currently stands at U.S.\$180 million, would be paid off; (ii) debt at Banco Paris would be reduced by U.S.\$400 million; and (iii) U.S.\$ 1,000 million would be used to reduce other outstanding liabilities of Cencosud SA. In this scenario, the Company believes it would reduce its leverage from 3.7x (as of March 2013) to 2.7x.

Yours truly

DANIEL RODRÍGUEZ COFRÉ
Corporate CEO
Cencosud S.A.