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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 or 15d-16 OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For MARCH 28, 2002

Companhia Vale do Rio Doce
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Valley of the Doce River Company
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Federative Republic of Brazil
(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Avenida Graca Aranha, No. 26
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(Address of principal executive offices)

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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.

COMPANHIA VALE DO RIO DOCE

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Title: Head of Investor Relations

Dated: March 28, 2002

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COMPANHIA VALE DO RIO DOCE'S PERFORMANCE IN 2001

Rio de Janeiro, March 27, 2002 - Despite the global recession, in 2001 Companhia Vale do Rio Doce (CVRD), for the fifth year running, achieved record net earnings of R\$ 3.051 billion. This was 43.0% higher than that reported in 2000, of R\$ 2.133 billion. In the period between 1997, when CVRD was privatized, and 2001, net profit has grown at an average annual rate of 41.7%.

Reflecting the earnings achieved, the return on consolidated shareholders' equity amounted to 25.9% compared to 20.2% in the previous year. Earnings distribution, in the form of interest on shareholders equity, was also a record R\$ 1.774 billion, the equivalent of R\$ 4.61 per share, 38.4% higher than the figure for 2000 of R\$ 1.282 billion.

From January 1997 to December 2001, total shareholder return was, in U.S. dollar terms, 11.8% per year.

The quality of the Company's assets, as well as the acquisitions and the divestments carried out, were extremely important in determining the results for 2001. The depreciation of the Brazilian real against the U.S. dollar was

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favorable in that it helped to widen margins and increase cash generation. However, in the short term, its effect on net earnings was negative due to the impact on net liabilities in foreign currency (net foreign debt less assets owned abroad).

In 2001, consolidated gross revenue amounted to R\$ 11.015 billion, 21.7% higher than the previous year, R\$ 9.048 billion.

Consolidated cash generation, as measured by EBITDA (earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization) amounted to R\$ 5.128 billion, up 35.4% on 2000. The high ratio of EBITDA/net revenues, of 48.5%, reveals CVRD's excellent capacity to convert revenue into operating profits. The ferrous division (iron ore, pellets, manganese and ferro-alloys) was responsible for 74% of the EBITDA generation, aluminum 10%, logistics 7%, steel 5% and non ferrous 4%.

The Company's consolidated exports amounted to US\$ 3.297 billion in 2001 compared to US\$ 3.016 billion in 2000. Net exports (exports less imports) amounted to US\$ 2.883 billion, CVRD being the company that contributed the most to Brazil's trade surplus in 2001.

CVRD invested US\$ 1.537 billion in 2001, US\$ 911.7 million of which was spent on acquisitions. 88.5% of capital expenditure was allocated to mining activities.

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For the fourth quarter of 2001 (4Q01) Parent Company net earnings amounted to R\$ 639 million, in line with the previous quarters, with the exception of 3Q01, which showed particularly high earnings due to the profit from the sale of the stake in Cenibra. EBITDA in the Parent Company in 4Q01 amounted to R\$ 804 million, a drop of 18.5% on the previous quarter, but 30.1% higher than the same period a year earlier. In 2001, EBITDA in the Parent Company totaled R\$ 3.254 billion, and the EBITDA margin was 51.0%. The ferrous division was responsible for 85.6% of the cash generation, logistics 9.6% and non ferrous 4.8%.

In operational terms, a number of significant records were achieved:

- o Consolidated sales of iron ore and pellets totaled 143.6 million tons, beating the record set in 2000 of 118.0 million tons by 21.7%;
- o The Carajas Railroad (EFC) and the Vitoria a Minas Railroad (EFVM) together carried record cargoes of 167.4 million tons, compared to the record set in 2000 of 164 million tons;

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- o General cargo (products other than iron ore and pellets) transported by EFC and EFVM totaled 12.9 billion net ton kilometers (nkt), 4.0% higher than the record achieved in 2000 of 12.4 billion nkt.

In acquiring Ferteco and 50% of the voting capital of Caemi, CVRD consolidated its leadership position in the global iron ore market. CVRD purchased the stake held by Phelps Dodge in the Sossego project becoming the full owner of the project. This allowed a substantial cut in investment costs, from US\$ 431 million to US\$ 383 million due to the exploitation of synergies. This transformed the capex cost of this copper project into one of the lowest in the world (US\$ 2,553 per ton).

CVRD sold several non-core assets - CSN, Bahia Sul, Cenibra, Rio Doce Pasha and Docenave vessels -obtaining proceeds of approximately US\$ 1.3 billion.

During 2001, significant long term contracts were signed for the sale of iron ore and pellets with the Shanghai Baosteel Iron & Steel Group, China's largest steelworks, and Acesita, the largest producer of stainless steel in Latin America, controlled by Arcelor, the world's largest steel company. At the same time, a memorandum of understanding was signed with Codelco, the world's largest copper producer, with the aim of forming a joint venture for the combined exploitation of opportunities in the copper mining segment.

In March 2002, CVRD was involved in two important transactions in the world's capital markets.

The Company issued US\$ 300 million worth of bonds, with a term of five years. This issue received Moody's risk classification Baa2 and the spread over the equivalent yield from U.S Treasury bonds, with a similar maturity date, was 455 basis points, the lowest for recent issues by Brazilian companies with the same maturity. Yield to investor return is 8.75% per year.

The third and final stage of the Company's privatization was successfully completed with the global offering of common shares held by the National Treasury and the BNDES (National Bank of Economic and Social Development). In consequence, the Company's shareholder base widened considerably and the free float was significantly increased. CVRD's common shares began trading on the New York Stock Exchange on March 21, 2002 as American Depositary Receipts (ADRs), identified by ticker symbol RIO. Each ADR corresponds to one common share.

Leading indicators of economic activity are suggesting a synchronized recovery in the global economy from the middle of this year. Monetary and fiscal stimuli appear to be bearing fruit in the United States, the European Union has benefited from de-regulation of its labor market and lower rates of income tax, emerging Asian exporting economies are returning to growth, the rate of economic expansion in China continues very high and Brazil is beginning to recover from the economic shocks of last year. The

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demand outlook has therefore improved for minerals and metals, and for CVRD's cargo transportation services.

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The raising of steel import barriers by the U.S. government will slow the inevitable restructuring of the steel industry there, threatening to unleash a global wave of protectionism. But this is not expected to have a significant effect on CVRD's estimated sales of iron ore and pellets.

CONSOLIDATED RESULTS FOR 2001

Under generally accepted Brazilian accounting practices (BR GAAP) results are consolidated from those companies that are under effective control, or shared control as defined by shareholders agreements, independent of the percentage of capital held by CVRD. Consolidation is in proportion to the stake held by CVRD in each company.

FINANCIAL INDICATORS CONSOLIDATED		
	2000	R\$ million 2001
Gross Revenues	9,048	11,015
Exports (US\$ million)	3,016	3,297
Gross Margin (%)	44.1	47.6
Equity Income	152	102
Net Income	2,133	3,051
Net Income per Share	5.54	7.95
Interest on Shareholders' Equity	1,282	1,774
EBITDA	3,788	5,128
EBITDA Margin (%)	43.1	48.5
ROE (%)	20.2	25.9
Gross Debt (US\$ million)	4,042	4,126
Net Debt (US\$ million)	2,691	2,916
Gross Debt/EBITDA (x)	2.09	1.87
EBITDA/Financial Expenses (x)	5.36	5.36

Sales: volumes, revenues and margins

CVRD's consolidated sales of iron ore and pellets reached a record 143.6 million tons 2001, an increase of 21.7% on the previous year. This amount includes sales by CVRD, the pellet joint ventures (Nibrasco, Itabraso, Kobrasco and Hispanobras), Fertecon, Samarco and GIIC, eliminating transactions between companies. Not included, for example, are sales of pellet feed by the Parent Company to the joint ventures, while on the other hand sales by Samarco are GIIC are calculated in proportion to the stakes held by CVRD. Of the sales increase of 25.6 million tons over the previous year, 10.5 million, or 40.4%, of this was due to the performance of companies acquired in 2000 and 2001.

Sales of iron ore increased by 25.8%, while pellet sales rose by only 9.9%, reflecting the falling cycle in the demand for this product. Of the total volume sold, 121.8 million tons - 85% - were exported.

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CONSOLIDATED SALES OF IRON ORE AND PELLETS

Iron Ore	2000	%	2001	million
				tons
				%
Parent Company	79,389	67.3	93,432	65.0
Socoimex	1,151	1.0	--	--
Samitri	6,434	5.5	5,397	3.8
Samarco *	515	0.4	893	0.6
Urucum	591	0.5	627	0.4
Ferteco			10,418	7.3
Total	88,080	74.6	110,767	77.1

Pellets	2000	%	2001	%
Parent Company + JVs	25,885	21.9	23,316	16.2
Samarco *	3,687	3.1	4,707	3.3
Ferteco			3,340	2.3
GIIC *	362	0.3	1,526	1.1
Total	29,934	25.4	32,889	22.9
Grand Total	118,014	100.0	143,656	100.0

* sales attributed in proportion to size of stake held by CVRD

Socoimex: acquired on May 11, 2000 and consolidated into CVRD on August 31, 2000

Samitri/Samarco: acquired on May 30, 2000 and consolidated into CVRD on October 1, 2001

GIIC: acquired on October 9, 2000

Ferteco: acquired on April 27, 2001

CVRD managed to substantially increase its share in the Chinese market, signing a contract with Baosteel for the annual supply of 6 million tons of iron ore for 20 years, and widening its client base. Sales to China by the Parent Company in 2001 amounted to 14.9 million tons, up 62% on the previous year, and represented 16.1% of China's total iron ore imports, estimated at 92.3 million tons. For 2002, it is expected that sales to China will continue to expand.

Sales of ferro-alloys in 2001 amounted to 362.4 thousand tons, 65% were exported and 35% sold to the domestic market. Due to the closure of the Almas and Caetes mines, gold sales fell from 17.4 tons in 2000 to 15.8 tons in 2001. In 2002, gold sales are likely to show a further decline as mining operations are ceased at Igarape Bahia. Gold production should recover when the copper mining operations begin in Carajas.

Due to energy rationing, Albras was forced to cut down its sales by 9.3%, selling 331.7 thousand tons of primary aluminum. Alunorte sold 1.595 million tons of alumina, 3.6% less than the previous year.

The railroads wholly owned by CVRD, EFC and EFVM, transported 167.4 million tons, up 2.1% on 2000. 47.0 million tons were transported for customers, 28.1% of the total - 18.6 million tons of iron ore and pellets and 28.4 million of general cargo. In net ton kilometer terms, general cargo carried by EFC and EFVM in 2001 totaled 12.9 billion. The Centro-Atlantica Railroad (FCA), operated by CVRD, carried 8.4 billion ntk, compared with 7.7 billion in 2000.

Gross consolidated revenues amounted to R\$ 11.015 billion in 2001, 21.7% higher than in 2000, of R\$ 9.048 billion. Some 84% of gross revenues came from Brazil, while the remaining 16%, R\$ 1.803 billion, came from subsidiaries and joint

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ventures abroad. Revenue denominated in foreign currency accounted for approximately 80% of the total.

Gross sales margin amounted to 47.6%, exceeding the figure for the previous year of 44.1%.

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Sales of iron ore and pellets in 2001 accounted for 54% of gross revenues - R\$ 5.919 billion, compared to 44% in 2000.

In contrast, transportation revenues fell as a percentage of the total from 17% to 14%, reflecting the fact that Socoimex, Samitri and Ferteco, being acquired by CVRD, ceased to be clients of EFVM and the port of Tubarao. At the same time revenues by Docenave fell due to the sale of part of the fleet. In absolute terms, gross revenue from transportation services fell, from R\$ 1.580 billion in 2000 to R\$ 1.490 billion in 2001.

Gross revenues from the aluminum division was down slightly, due to lower quantities and prices, amounting to R\$ 1.118 billion in 2001 compared to R\$ 1.127 billion in the previous year.

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Variation in net earnings

Net earnings amounted to R\$ 3.051 billion, an increase of R\$ 918 million and 43% higher than reported in 2000 of R\$ 2.133 billion.

Two factors contributed significantly to the rise in earnings: the growth in net operating revenues of R\$ 1.792 billion and capital gains from the sale of shareholdings (Bahia Sul and Cenibra) of some R\$ 1.702 billion. On the negative side, depreciation of the Brazilian Real negatively impacted earnings by R\$ 741 million, the cost of goods sold (COGS) rose by R\$ 640 million, operational expenses increased by R\$ 618 million and there was a R\$ 437 million goodwill amortization.

The main reason for the increase in COGS was the acquisition of companies such as Samitri and Ferteco, whose costs were added to those of CVRD. However, on the other hand, sale from these companies were added to net consolidated revenues. Expenditure on electricity accounted for 8.1% of COGS, in 2001, compared to 6.7% in 2000, reflecting the rise in costs due to power rationing.

The growth in operational expenses was mainly due to increases in the following items: an increase in sales expenses of R\$ 90 million, and administrative costs, R\$ 164 million; an increase in fixed assets write offs of R\$ 186 million; tax provisions, R\$ 122 million; and loss provisions of R\$ 169 million.

CVRD decided to write off all the premiums paid on stakes acquired in 2001. The premiums were: for FCA, R\$ 147 million; PPSA, R\$ 83 million; Sibra, R\$ 81 million; GIIC, R\$ 60 million; and for Usiminas, R\$ 55 million.

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Cash Flow

EBITDA generated in 2001 of R\$ 5.128 billion was R\$ 1.340 billion higher than the figure for the previous year. The main reason behind this increase was the growth in net operating revenues of R\$ 1.792 billion, partially offset by a rise in COGS of R\$ 640 million, and a rise in sales and administrative expenses of R\$ 254 million.

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The ferrous division was responsible for 74% of the EBITDA generation, aluminum 10%, logistics 7%, steel 5% and non ferrous 4%.

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Debt

CVRD's total consolidated debt, in BR GAAP, amounted to US\$ 4.126 billion as of December 31 2001, slightly higher than the previous years figure of US\$ 4.042 billion.

Net consolidated debt represented less than two times EBITDA in 2001. Interest coverage was at a very comfortable level, EBITDA being 5.36 times financial expenses.

RESULTS OF THE PARENT COMPANY IN 4Q01

Parent Company gross revenues in the 4Q01 amounted to R\$ 1.809 billion. Its composition by product was as follows: iron ore 59%, pellets 17%, logistics 15%, gold 5%, potash 2% and others 2%.

Gross margin amounted to 48.9%, approximately the same as the average for the last seven quarters (49.0%), but lower than that recorded in 3Q01, of 51.5%. This drop is essentially due to the fall in gross revenue of 1.7% and the 3.2% rise in COGS.

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FINANCIAL INDICATORS - PARENT COMPANY

	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	R\$ million	
				2000	2001
Gross Revenues	1,404	1,840	1,809	5,169	6,617
Gross Margin (%)	47.8	51.5	48.9	49.2	48.9
Net Earnings	532	1,207	639	2,133	3,051
EBITDA	618	986	804	2,403	3,254
EBITDA Margin (%)	45.8	55.4	46.1	48.3	51.0
Net Operating Cash Flow	499	1,169	358	1,848	3,515
ROE annualized (%)	20.2	43.2	25.9	20.2	25.9
Gross Debt (US\$ million)	1,825	1,987	2,000	1,825	2,000
Net Debt (US\$ million)	1,023	1,473	1,722	1,023	1,722
Investments (US\$ million)	375	183	597	1,602	1,537

Net earnings by the Parent Company in 4Q01 amounted to R\$ 639 million. This figure was 20.1% than the same quarter in the previous year. It is clearly much lower than the third quarter result of R\$ 1.207 billion which was boosted substantially by the sale of Cenibra.

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EBITDA in 4Q01 was down R\$ 182 million on the previous quarter. There were various factors that contributed to this: a rise in COGS (R\$ 26 million), a increase in sales, general and administrative expenses of R\$ 33 million and a drop both in net revenues of R\$ 32 million, and in dividends received from subsidiaries and affiliates of R\$ 83 million. EBITDA margin, of 46.1%, was also lower than that achieved in 3Q01, which hit a record level of 55.4%, influenced by the depreciation in the Real against the U.S. dollar.

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In 2001, EBITDA amounted to R\$ 3.254 billion, 35.4% higher than the previous year. The EBITDA margin was 51.0%, against 48.3% in 2000. The ferrous division was responsible for 85.6% of the cash generation, logistics 9.6% and non ferrous 4.8%.

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Gross debt at the Parent Company amounted to US\$ 2.0 billion at the end of December 2001, equal to 1.43 times EBITDA for the year. At the same time EBITDA in 2001 was equal to 6.6 times financial expenses, this indicator being unchanged from the same period in 2000.

DEBT LEVERAGE AND COVERAGE					
	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000	2001
Gross Debt/(Gross Debt + Equity)	25.2%	32.2%	28.3%	25.2%	28.3%
Gross Debt/LTM EBITDA	1.48	1.73	1.43	1.49	1.43
EBITDA/Interest Expenses	5.42	4.61	10.18	6.66	6.57

Capital Expenditure in 2001

CVRD invested US\$ 1.537 billion in 2001, slightly less than the previous year's figure of US\$ 1.602 billion, the highest in the Company's history. Investment decisions are based on rigorous analysis, with the central aim of creating shareholder value. In other words, the minimum return required from each investment, adjusted for risk, must be higher than the weighted average cost of capital for the Company.

Expenditure on acquisitions, US\$ 911.7 million, accounted for about 60% of total investment. The main items were the purchase of Ferteco which involved US\$ 566 million, 50% of Caemi's voting capital for US\$ 278 million and 50% of Mineracao Sossego for US\$ 42.5 million.

Investments in projects totaled US\$ 264.4 million. US\$ 84.1 million was allocated to the construction of the Sao Luis Pelletizing Plant while US\$ 55.1 million in the mine-railroad-port infrastructure necessary to its implementation. This is the CVRD's twelfth pelletizing plant, and will be under operation on the 2Q02. Its nominal production capacity is 6 million tons of pellets per year. This pelletizing plant is the most modern in the world and its capex cost is very low, US\$ 31 per ton.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT - CONSOLIDATED		
	2000	R\$ million 2001
Gross Operating Revenues	9,048	11,015
Value Added Tax	(266)	(441)
Net Operating Revenues	8,782	10,574
Cost of Goods Sold	4,905	(5,545)
Gross Income	3,877	5,029
Gross Margin (%)	44.1%	47.6%
Result of Investment Participation	152	(299)

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Equity Income	152	102
Goodwill Amortization	-	(437)
Provision for Losses	-	-
Others	-	36
Operating Expenses	(1,391)	(2,009)
Selling	(156)	(246)
General & Administrative	(458)	(622)
Research and Development	(89)	(101)
Others	(688)	(1,040)
Financial Expenses	(707)	(957)
Financial Revenues	369	284
Monetary Variation	(325)	(1,066)
Gross Income	1,975	982
Discontinued Operations	184	1,770
Income Taxes	(11)	259
Net Earnings Before Minority Interest	2,148	3,011
Minority Interest	(15)	40
Net Earnings	2,133	3,051

BALANCE SHEET - CONSOLIDATED

		R\$ million
	2000	2001
Assets		
Current Assets	6,111	7,387
Long Term Assets	2,515	2,672
Permanent Assets	15,204	16,346
Total	23,830	26,405
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current Liabilities	5,133	5,335
Long Term Liabilities	7,928	9,137
Others	203	166
Shareholders' Equity	10,566	11,767
Capital	3,000	4,000
Reserves	7,566	7,767
Total	23,830	26,405

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT - PARENT COMPANY

	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000	R\$ mi
Gross Operating Revenues	1,404	1,840	1,809	5,169	
Value Added Tax	(56)	(61)	(64)	(189)	
Net Operating Revenues	1,348	1,779	1,745	4,980	
Cost of Goods Sold	(704)	(863)	(891)	(2,531)	
Gross Income	644	916	854	2,449	

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Gross Margin (%)	47.8	51.5	48.9	49.2
Result of Investment Participation	100	(572)	97	715
Equity Income	168	(6)	150	799
Goodwill Amortization	(11)	(296)	(89)	(27)
Provision for Losses	(57)	(270)	25	(57)
Others	-	-	11	-
Operating Expenses	(284)	(430)	(469)	(1,029)
Selling	(28)	(32)	(33)	(77)
General & Administrative	(66)	(90)	(123)	(222)
Research and Development	(28)	(30)	(30)	(87)
Others	(162)	(278)	(283)	(643)
Financial Expenses	(114)	(214)	(79)	(361)
Financial Revenues	94	30	(3)	185
Monetary Variation	(102)	(471)	467	(159)
Gross Income	338	(741)	867	1,800
Discontinued Operations	38	1,472	-	184
Income Taxes	156	476	(228)	149
Net Income	532	1,207	639	2,133
Net Income per Share (R\$)	1.38	3.14	1.66	5.54

BALANCE SHEET - PARENT COMPANY

	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000	R\$ mil
Assets					
Current Assets	4,205	5,281	3,990	4,205	
Long Term Assets	2,116	2,316	2,507	2,116	
Permanent Assets	13,722	15,986	15,928	13,722	1
Total	20,043	23,583	22,425	20,043	2
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity					
Current Liabilities	3,383	5,074	3,623	3,383	
Long Term Liabilities	6,094	7,336	7,035	6,094	
Shareholders' Equity	10,566	11,174	11,767	10,566	1
Capital	3,000	4,000	4,000	3,000	
Reserves	7,566	7,174	7,767	7,566	
Total	20,043	23,584	22,425	20,043	2

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EQUITY INCOME - PARENT COMPANY

	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000	R\$ mil
Ferrous					
Iron Ore and Pellets	20	93	(9)	253	
Manganese and Ferro-Alloys	9	26	47	19	
Non-Ferrous	-	-	-	-	

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Transportation	53	(85)	(33)	13
Shareholding Interests				
Steel	38	70	(40)	169
Pulp and Paper	(6)	12	(58)	8
Aluminum	49	(125)	239	327
Fertilizers	5	4	8	10
Others	—	—	(4)	—
Total	168	(5)	150	799

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES - 2001

By business area	US\$ million	%	By category	US\$ million
Ferrous Minerals	1,256.5	81.7%	Equity Investments	75.5
Transportation	86.6	5.6%	Maintenance	231.9
Non Ferrous Minerals	104.5	6.8%	Projects	264.4
Energy	52.1	3.4%	Mineral Exploration	29.8
Others	37.7	2.5%	Information Technology	17.5
			Technological Research	6.6
			Acquisitions	911.7
Total	1,537.4	100.0%	Total	1,537.4

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SALES VOLUMES - PARENT COMPANY

	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	thousand t 2000
IRON ORE AND PELLETS				
Foreign Market	20,755	24,237	24,154	79,643
Southern System	9,545	13,169	11,548	36,373
Fines	5,216	9,637	7,672	20,235
Lump	636	555	843	2,808
Pellets	3,693	2,977	3,033	13,330
Northern System	11,210	11,068	12,606	43,270
Fines	10,193	10,181	11,299	39,735
Lump	1,017	887	1,307	3,535
Domestic Market	9,874	10,532	9,661	37,097
Southern System	8,943	9,686	8,751	33,770
Fines	7,559	7,763	6,956	28,952
Lump	689	1,127	996	2,602
Pellets	695	796	799	2,216
Northern System	931	846	910	3,327
Fines	29	36	117	587
Lump	902	810	793	2,740
Iron Ore	26,241	30,996	29,983	101,194
Fines	22,997	27,617	26,044	89,509
Lump	3,244	3,379	3,939	11,685
Pellets	4,388	3,773	3,832	15,546

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Total	30,629	34,769	33,815	116,740
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OTHER PRODUCTS AND SERVICES	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000
Gold (Kg)	4,865	4,488	4,390	17,387
Foreign Market	4,865	4,488	4,390	17,370
Domestic Market	-	-	-	17
Manganese	322	13	5	1,300
Foreign Market	164	-	-	876
Domestic Market	158	13	5	424
Potash	127	124	95	561
Transportation Services	26,611	21,306	20,204	107,103
Railroads	16,046	14,078	13,640	65,945
Southern System	14,469	12,423	12,078	60,504
Northern System	1,577	1,655	1,562	5,441
Port Services	10,565	7,228	6,564	41,158
Southern System	10,004	6,434	5,974	39,027
Northern System	561	794	590	2,131

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IRON ORE AND PELLETS SALES - PARENT COMPANY

million tons

GEOGRAPHICAL DESTINATION

FOREIGN MARKET	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000
ASIA				
China	2.7	5.6	3.4	9.2
South Korea	1.9	1.6	1.3	7.0
Philippines	0.4	0.1	0.5	1.4
Japan	4.0	4.3	4.4	17.5
Taiwan	0.3	0.6	0.6	1.6
Others	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.4
Total	9.4	12.6	10.8	37.1
EUROPE				
Germany	2.3	2.7	2.9	8.2
Spain	0.8	0.5	1.0	2.9
France	0.9	0.9	1.1	2.9
Italy	0.9	1.0	1.4	4.8
United Kingdom	0.3	0.3	0.5	1.5
Others	2.4	3.2	3.4	8.2
Total	7.6	8.6	10.3	28.5
AMERICAS				
Argentina	0.5	0.4	0.5	1.4
United States	0.6	0.9	0.6	3.5
Others	0.4	0.5	0.2	2.0
Total	1.5	1.8	1.3	6.9
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AUSTRALASIA				
Bahrain	0.5	0.3	0.3	2.0
Others	1.8	1.0	1.4	5.2
Total	2.3	1.3	1.7	7.2
TOTAL	20.8	24.3	24.1	79.7

DOMESTIC MARKET	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000
Steel Mills	4.5	5.2	5.3	15.5
Affiliated Pelletizing Companies	5.4	5.3	4.4	21.6
Total	9.9	10.5	9.7	37.1
TOTAL	30.7	34.8	33.8	116.8

ORIGIN	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000
Northern System	12.1	11.9	13.5	46.6
Southern System	18.6	22.9	20.3	70.1
TOTAL	30.7	34.8	33.8	116.8

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HISPANOBRAS	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	R\$ million	
				2000	2001
Sales (thousand tons)	1,080	882	998	3,933	3,608
Foreign Market	480	422	148	1,443	1,218
Domestic Market	600	460	850	2,490	2,390
Average Price (US\$/ton)	31.28	32.64	31.12	30.56	31.42
Net Operating Revenues	65	73	79	224	269
Cost of Goods Sold	(53)	(60)	(64)	(186)	(223)
Financial Results	2	4	(5)	5	2
Net Earnings	8	10	4	21	25
Gross Margin (%)	18.9	17.7	18.5	16.7	17.1
EBITDA	14	17	14	45	53
EBITDA Margin (%)	21.5	23.3	18.2	19.9	19.8
NIBRASCO	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01		
				2000	2001
Sales (thousand tons)	2,565	1,562	1,252	8,764	6,993
Foreign Market	627	514	432	2,398	2,311
Domestic Market	1,938	1,048	820	6,366	4,682
Average Price (US\$/ton)	30.65	29.22	27.90	30.13	29.80
Net Operating Revenues	150	109	99	478	482
Cost of Goods Sold	(127)	(102)	(88)	(404)	(423)
Financial Results	(2)	(8)	-	6	(7)

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Net Earnings	9	(34)	7	34	14
Gross Margin (%)	15.4	6.6	11.1	15.4	12.3
EBITDA	12	24	14	59	69
EBITDA Margin (%)	8.3	22.2	14.0	12.4	14.3
Net Debt (in US\$ million)	8	7	6	8	6
- Short Term	2	3	2	2	2
- Long Term	6	5	4	6	4

ITABRASCO	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000	2001
Sales (thousand tons)	752	742	995	3,486	3,287
Foreign Market	539	471	700	2,804	2,247
Domestic Market	213	271	295	682	1,040
Average Price (US\$/ton)	31.22	31.69	31.90	30.98	31.72
Net Operating Revenues	46	59	80	198	246
Cost of Goods Sold	(35)	(52)	(60)	(171)	(203)
Financial Results	3	2	(6)	4	1
Net Earnings	7	4	4	14	29
Gross Margin (%)	24.2	12.0	25.5	14.0	17.5
EBITDA	11	10	16	26	39
EBITDA Margin (%)	24.4	16.3	20.2	13.1	16.0

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IRON ORE AND PELLETS - FINANCIAL INDICATORS

KOBRASCO	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000	R\$ mill
Sales (thousand tons)	1,294	1,123	1,068	4,415	
Foreign Market	824	493	558	3,682	
Domestic Market	470	630	510	733	
Average Price (US\$/ton)	30.95	31.19	31.20	30.05	
Net Operating Revenues	76	91	85	241	
Cost of Goods Sold	(59)	(68)	(67)	(188)	
Financial Results	(22)	(53)	42	(45)	
Net Earnings	(2)	(72)	53	6	
Gross Margin (%)	22.3	25.3	21.1	21.7	
EBITDA	20	24	19	59	
EBITDA Margin (%)	25.8	26.4	22.9	24.4	
Net Debt (in US\$ million)	122	149	129	122	
- Short Term	-	20	-	-	
- Long Term	122	129	129	122	
SAMARCO	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000	
Sales Foreign Market (thousand tons)	4,295	2,312	2,571	14,622	
Average Price (US\$/ton)	31.03	28.56	32.00	29.40	
Net Operating Revenues	243	167	208	756	

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Cost of Goods Sold	(135)	(73)	(103)	(403)
Financial Results	(44)	(98)	51	(168)
Net Earnings	25	(48)	117	11
Gross Margin (%)	44.3	56.0	50.6	46.7
EBITDA	87	86	89	319
EBITDA Margin (%)	35.9	51.8	42.7	42.1
Net Debt (in US\$ million)	316	259	277	316
- Short Term	170	140	167	170
- Long Term	146	119	110	146

GIIC *	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000
Sales Foreign Market (thousand tons)	n.a.	661	785	3,761
Net Operating Revenues	n.a.	35,151	29,031	151,619
Cost of Goods Sold	n.a.	(32,104)	(23,004)	(136,259)
Gross Profit	n.a.	3,047	6,027	15,360
Other Income	n.a.	427	244	4,711
S G & A	n.a.	(1,144)	(1,284)	(4,781)
Net Income	n.a.	2,330	4,987	15,290

* Financial Indicators according to IASC (International Accounting Standards Committee).

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ITACO	4Q00	3Q01*	4Q01	2000
Sales (thousand tons)				
Iron Ore	8,449	13,796	14,254	41,744
Pellets	867	1,966	1,727	7,344
Manganese	151	260	342	1,023
Bauxite	52	162	283	779
Alumina	20	42	57	200
Aluminum	30	35	32	163
Net Operating Revenues	316,643	384,594	381,037	1,349,761
Cost of Goods Sold	(296,840)	(348,026)	(342,010)	(1,252,605)
Equity Income	(1,838)	24,155	19,833	27,008
Net Income	(19,869)	546,832	81,692	71,091
EBITDA	7,251	571,637	26,799	69,365

* includes sale disposal of Cenibra

ALUMINUM - SELECTED FINANCIAL INDICATORS

MRN	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000	R\$ mil
Sales (thousand tons)	2,826	2,760	3,175	11,242	
Foreign Market	811	954	992	3,991	

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Domestic Market	2,015	1,806	2,183	7,251
Average Price (US\$/ton)	21.04	20.99	21.67	21.18
Net Operating Revenues	103	139	154	399
Cost of Goods Sold	(51)	(60)	(65)	(200)
Financial Results	1	(2)	(4)	7
Net Earnings	40	52	100	186
Gross Margin (%)	50.5	56.8	57.8	49.9
EBITDA	61	88	99	234
EBITDA Margin (%)	59.2	63.3	64.3	58.7

ALUNORTE	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000
Sales (thousand tons)	419	365	405	1,596
Foreign Market	210	205	232	795
Domestic Market	209	160	173	801
Average Price (US\$/ton)	198.83	184.94	167.23	196.63
Net Operating Revenues	165	177	172	590
Cost of Goods Sold	(116)	(122)	(140)	(415)
Financial Results	(62)	(157)	126	(139)
Net Earnings	(21)	(128)	139	23
Gross Margin (%)	29.7	31.1	18.6	29.7
EBITDA	35	64	37	176
EBITDA Margin (%)	21.2	36.2	21.5	29.8
Net Debt (in US\$ million)	437	429	425	437
- Short Term	-	-	-	-
- Long Term	437	429	425	437

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ALUMINUM - SELECTED FINANCIAL INDICATORS

ALBRAS	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000	R\$ mill
Sales (thousand tons)	90	80	70	366	
Foreign Market	87	76	66	351	
Domestic Market	3	4	4	15	
Average Price (US\$/ton)	1,484.70	1,390.89	1,282.77	1,508.42	1,4
Net Operating Revenues	258	278	232	1,006	
Cost of Goods Sold	(144)	(161)	(147)	(584)	
Financial Results	(80)	(252)	222	(174)	
Net Earnings	29	(196)	220	244	
Gross Margin (%)	44.2	42.1	36.7	42.0	
EBITDA	117	89	90	426	
EBITDA Margin (%)	45.4	32.0	38.8	42.4	
Net Debt (in US\$ million)	696	592	591	696	
- Short Term	160	95	141	160	
- Long Term	536	497	450	536	

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VALESUL	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000	
Sales (thousand tons)	25	18	16	86	
Foreign Market	9	7	5	30	
Domestic Market	16	11	11	56	
Average Price (US\$/ton)	1,844.00	1,784.68	1,757.16	1,912.41	1,9
Net Operating Revenues	78	77	67	271	
Cost of Goods Sold	(59)	(55)	(50)	(199)	
Financial Results	(1)	(9)	(1)	(4)	
Net Earnings	13	12	7	41	
Gross Margin (%)	24.4	28.6	25.4	26.6	
EBITDA	37	28	14	132	
EBITDA Margin (%)	47.4	36.4	20.9	48.7	
Net Debt (in US\$ million)	29	3	3	29	
- Short Term	26	-	1	26	
- Long Term	3	3	2	3	

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EQUITY INCOME - PARENT COMPANY						
COMPANY/PARTICIPATION	%	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	R\$ million 2000	2001
DOCENAVE	100.00	37.3	(79.0)	(29.5)	15.8	(44.1)
DOCEPAR	100.00	(59.0)	0.0	0.0	(38.1)	0.0
ALUVALE	94.74	30.6	(120.7)	222.4	282.8	138.1
FLORESTAS	99.85	(7.6)	4.1	1.4	(3.0)	9.1
RDE (own operations)	99.80	68.9	72.3	(55.1)	147.5	172.1
ITACO	99.99	(5.3)	262.4	(132.3)	173.0	271.1
DOCEGEO	99.99	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.0
RDI	100.00	1.3	1.8	(1.1)	0.6	1.1
TACUMA (FCA)	100.00	16.8	0.0	0.0	(0.5)	0.0
URUCUM	100.00	1.8	6.3	(4.7)	11.6	7.1
TERM.VILA VELHA	99.89	(0.3)	2.0	1.2	3.2	6.1
VALE ENERGIA	90.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
NORPEL	99.90	0.0	(0.7)	0.6	0.2	0.0
M.ANDIA (SOSSEGO)	99.50	(0.6)	(0.4)	0.3	(1.0)	(0.1)
PARA PIGMENTOS	75.50	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
SAMITRI	100.00	(7.9)	(31.3)	0.0	8.7	0.0
SOCOIMEX(consolidated)		0.0	0.0	0.0	5.6	0.0
MINERACAO MATO GROSSO	100.00	(0.1)	0.0	0.0	(0.1)	0.0
SIBRA	98.16	0.0	5.7	51.5	0.0	71.1
ZAGAIA (FERTECO)	100.00	0.0	(107.5)	50.0	0.0	(60.1)
BELEM	99.99	0.0	0.0	8.8	0.0	8.1
MSE	99.99	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0
KSG	99.99	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0
BRASAMERICAN LIMITED	99.70	0.0	0.0	(2.2)	0.0	(2.1)
BRASILUX	100.00	0.0	0.0	(2.4)	0.0	(2.1)
CELMAR	85.00	0.0	0.0	(55.4)	0.0	(55.1)

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Total from SUBSIDIARIES		76.0	15.0	54.7	606.6	523.0
BAHIA SUL	—	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
MSG	51.00	2.3	2.8	(0.3)	7.4	6.0
CENIBRA	—	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CST	22.85	14.7	(0.3)	27.2	51.7	14.0
NIBRASCO	51.00	4.5	(17.3)	1.9	17.5	(7.0)
FOSFERTIL	10.96	4.4	3.5	7.7	10.0	13.0
HISpanoBRAS	50.89	4.0	5.3	1.9	10.5	12.0
ITABRASCO	50.90	3.3	2.3	2.1	7.1	14.0
NOVA ERA SILICON	49.00	0.9	(0.2)	2.0	2.6	2.0
USIMINAS	11.46	12.9	0.2	(2.1)	35.3	0.0
CIA.FERROV.NORDESTE	30.00	(1.1)	0.0	0.0	(1.1)	0.0
KOBRASCO	50.00	(1.2)	(16.3)	6.8	2.8	(18.0)
FERROBAN	18.74	(2.8)	(0.7)	(10.6)	(8.8)	(20.0)
CSN	—	50.1	0.0	0.0	57.8	107.0
SAMARCO	50.00	0.0	0.0	58.7	0.0	58.0
BAOVALE	50.00	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
Total from AFFILIATES		92.0	(20.7)	95.4	192.8	184.0
Total		168.0	(5.7)	150.1	799.4	707.0

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PROVISION FOR LOSSES	%	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	R\$ million 2000
VALEPONTOCOM	100.00	0.0	0.0	(18.0)	0.0
KOBRASCO	50.00	0.0	(19.7)	19.7	0.0
CIA.FERROV.NORDESTE	30.00	0.0	(32.9)	(0.5)	0.0
DOCEPAR	100.00	(56.9)	(5.5)	25.6	(56.9)
FCA	45.65	0.0	(108.0)	11.5	0.0
PARA PIGMENTOS	75.50	0.0	(103.7)	46.1	0.0
MINERACAO MATO GROSSO	100.00	0.0	0.0	(0.4)	0.0
CELMAR	85.00	0.0	0.0	(59.2)	0.0
Total		(56.9)	(269.8)	24.8	(56.9)
GOODWILL AMORTIZATION	%	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000
FCA	45.65	0.0	(138.6)	(8.6)	0.0
GIIC (GULF)	50.00	0.0	(60.1)	0.0	0.0
PARA PIGMENTOS	75.50	(8.0)	(74.9)	0.0	(14.0)
RDME	100.00	0.0	0.0	(9.1)	0.0
CPFL	91.87	0.0	0.0	(3.2)	0.0
SIBRA	98.16	(1.1)	(19.3)	(19.3)	(4.6)

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MINERACAO MATO GROSSO	100.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
USIMINAS	11.46	(2.2)	(3.5)	(48.8)	(8.5)
Total		(11.3)	(296.4)	(89.0)	(27.1)
Gain on assets disposal and dividends		0.0	0.0	11.0	0.0
Total		99.8	(571.9)	96.9	715.4

EQUITY PARTICIPATION ON DOCENAVE	%	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000
NAVEDOCE/Seamar	100.00	27.8	0.2	(11.5)	19.2
Own operations	100.00	(6.6)	(157.0)	55.1	(27.6)
NAVEDOCE/Seamar (G/L Foreign Exchange)	100.00	16.4	77.5	(73.1)	24.4
Total		37.6	(79.3)	(29.5)	16.0

EQUITY PARTICIPATION ON DOCEPAR	%	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000
Acominas		0.3	0.0	0.0	3.8
CSN		0.0	0.0	0.0	26.4
Own operations (steel)		(59.6)	0.0	0.0	(68.5)
Total		(59.3)	0.0	0.0	(38.3)

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EQUITY INCOME - PARENT COMPANY					
EQUITY INCOME ON ALUVALE	%	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	R\$ milli 2000
ALUNORTE	45.58	(10.9)	(59.7)	65.2	11.5
MRN	40.00	16.1	20.9	40.1	74.5
ALBRAS	51.00	14.5	(99.9)	112.4	124.4
VALESUL	54.51	7.1	6.7	3.7	22.3
Equity on Alunorte		0.4	0.0	1.2	25.0
Own operations		19.1	4.7	12.1	40.8
Total		46.3	(127.3)	234.7	298.5

EQUITY INCOME ON ZAGAIA	%	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000
Ferteco	100.00	0.0	7.6	41.6	0.0
MRS	10.48	0.0	(13.0)	8.2	0.0
Own operations		0.0	(102.1)	0.2	0.0
Total		0.0	(107.5)	50.0	0.0

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EQUITY INCOME ON FLORESTAS RIO DOCE	%	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000
BAHIA SUL		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Own operations		(7.6)	4.1	1.4	(3.0)
Total FRD		(7.6)	4.1	1.4	(3.0)
EQUITY INCOME ON ITACO US\$ million	%	4Q00	3Q01	4Q01	2000
CSI	50.00	(1.6)	(2.2)	(0.2)	15.7
Rio Doce Pasha	—	1.2	0.7	0.0	2.3
RDL	100.00	(1.0)	3.2	0.7	1.4
RDA	100.00	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.4
RDME	100.00	2.5	(2.0)	3.5	1.4
Kaolin		0.3	0.2	0.0	0.3
CSN Aceros	62.50	(0.7)	0.0	(0.9)	(0.9)
Alunorte		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Samitri		(0.1)	0.0	0.0	3.0
Samitri - foreign exchange losses		(4.9)	0.0	0.0	(4.6)
Aluvale	5.26	8.0	(1.1)	5.1	8.0
GIIC (GULF)	50.00	1.5	2.2	5.8	1.5
CVRD Overseas	100.00	0.0	21.5	11.5	0.0
Quadrem	9.00	0.0	0.0	(1.9)	0.0
Own operations		(24.3)	45.0	49.4	43.6
G/L Exchange		10.7	24.0	(111.4)	16.4
Total Itaco		(8.2)	91.5	(38.1)	88.5

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