

BRASIL TELECOM HOLDING CO
Form 6-K
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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 6-K

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

THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2007

(Commission File No. 1-14477)

BRASIL TELECOM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

BRAZIL TELECOM HOLDING COMPANY
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

**SIA Sul, Área de Serviços Públicos, Lote D, Bloco B
Brasília, D.F., 71.215-000
Federative Republic of Brazil**
(Address of Registrant's principal executive offices)

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**Brasil Telecom
Participações S.A.**

4th Quarter 2006 Earnings Release

4Q06 Highlights

FINANCIAL

R\$ 4.0 billion in revenues:

- **4.3% growth over 3Q06**
- **5.1% growth over 4Q05**
- **Growth in fixed telephony (1.7%), mobile (22.3%) and data (5.4%) over 3Q06**
- **Total revenue in 2006: R\$ 15.1 billion (vs. R\$ 14.7 billion in 2005)**

R\$ 947 million in EBITDA, corresponding to a margin of 34.6%:

- **4.3% growth over 3Q06**
- **202.7% growth against 4Q05**
- **Total EBITDA in 2006: R\$ 3,494 vs. R\$ 2,709 in 2005**

Net income of R\$ 268 million:

- **Net income in 2006: R\$ 470 million (vs. -R\$ 30 million in 2005)**

R\$ 477 million in CAPEX:

- **Total CAPEX in 2006: R\$ 1,451 million (vs. R\$ 1,978 million in 2005)**
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4Q06 Highlights

OPERATIONAL

3,377 thousand mobile accesses:

- **52.6% growth against 4Q05**

12.1% market share in mobile telephony in Region II:

- **3.4 p.p. growth over 4Q05**

1,318 thousand broadband accesses in service:

- **30.0% growth against 4Q05**
- **ADSL penetration reached 15.7% of LIS**

Mobile telephony SAC amounted to R\$ 123.1:

- **34.4% reduction against 4Q05**

Mobile telephony ARPU reached R\$ 37.0:

- **36.0% growth against 4Q05**
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Gross Revenues

4.3% growth over 3Q06 and 5.1% over 4Q05

Mobile telephony subscriber base increased 52.6% against 4Q05

Revenue increased in all business segments over 3Q06

Gross Revenues (cont.)



Fixed Telephony

Stricter policy for cancellation of terminals without revenue generation

ARPU increased by 6.1%

Cancellation of blocked lines does not impact revenues

1.7% growth of gross revenue over 3Q06

Broadband

1,318 thousand broadband accesses in service
- **82% market share in Region II**
- **ADSL penetration reached 15.9% of LIS**
(1,279 localities)

ADSL ARPU amounted to R\$ 71.4
- **3.2% growth over 3Q06**
- **2.5% growth over 4Q05**

Mobile Telephony

- **3,377 thousand accesses in service by the end of 4Q06**
 - **Market Share reached 12.1% (vs. 8.7% in 4Q05)**
 - **29.4% of post-paid accesses (vs. 31.3% in 4Q05)**
 - **ARPU = R\$ 37.0 (vs. R\$ 26.4 in 4Q05)**
 - **SAC = R\$ 123.1 (vs. R\$ 187.7 in 4Q05)**
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Operating Costs and Expenses

R\$ 1,794 million in operating costs and expenses:

- **4.3% increase over 3Q06**
- **21.3% reduction against 4Q05**

Level change from 2005 to 2006 reflects the cost reduction program in all company areas

Operating Costs and Expenses (cont.)

Evolution of operating costs and expenses
(R\$ billion)

Key Actions

Personnel expenses reduction
Centralization of network management centers
Renegotiation of contracts
Centralization of call centers structure
Redesign of operating and IT outsourcing model
Communication and marketing expenses reduction
Decrease of BrT Mobile's SAC
Merger of marketing and commercial structures

EBITDA

R\$ 947 million EBITDA:

- **4.3% increase over 3Q06**

- **202.7% increase against 4Q05**

EBITDA BrT Mobile

-R\$ 33.8 million EBITDA in 4Q06

Negatively impacted by the introduction of the Full Bill

- Full Bill = Anatel's regulation established that all calls among mobile operators would be billed (previously the calls were only billed if the difference between outgoing and incoming traffic of the operators was superior to 55%)

- Full bill impact of R\$13.2 million in 4Q06

Net Income

Net income per thousand shares equivalent to R\$ 0.7357 for the quarter and R\$1.2923 for 2006

Net income per ADR in BRP equivalent to US\$ 1.7206/ADR for 4Q06 and US\$3.0223 for the full year

CAPEX

R\$ 477 million CAPEX in 4Q06

Quarterly CAPEX (R\$ million)

Key Actions

Scope reduction in several investments and postponement of others not related to revenue growth

Rescheduling of expected regulatory obligations

Renegotiation of supply contracts for equipments with:

- Centralization of annual purchases**
- Reverse auctions**

Creation of the Investments and Purchases Evaluation Committee

Stronger currency (external)

CAPEX (cont.)

R\$ 1,451 million CAPEX in the year (vs. R\$ 1,978 million in 2005)

Indebtedness

Total Debt = R\$ 5,375.2 million

Net Debt/Shareholders Equity 24.7%

12.0% p.a. cost in 4Q06 (79.6% of
Domestic Interbank Rate CDI)
R\$4,063 million in Cash and Equivalents

Comparison Net Debt vs. Total Debt
(R\$ million)

Key Actions

Improving the debt profile

- R\$ 2.1 billion line of credit with BNDES (disbursed R\$800 million in the quarter)
- R\$ 1.1 billion in debentures

Highlights summary

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SIGNATURE

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.

Date: January 31, 2007

BRASIL TELECOM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.

By: /s/ Charles Laganá Putz

Name: Charles Laganá Putz
Title: Chief Financial
Officer

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